

**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**Mr Marshall's Mission**

THE next fortnight is a very important period for Mr David Marshall, Singapore's Chief Minister. During that time he is going to present a case; a case that will be subjected to close and critical scrutiny by all shades of political opinion in Britain. His case is that Singapore is ready for full internal self-government, and that in four years' time the Colony will have qualified for Home Rule.

Fundamentally Mr Marshall's current mission is to prepare the ground for next year's London conference between the British government and representatives of all Singapore's political parties. But if he is to achieve the maximum from this mission, namely to ensure the conference will produce desired results, he will have to convince the British government about a number of things.

Had his visit been arranged for six weeks ago, Mr Marshall's personal negotiating position would have been stronger. As it is he is bound to feel slightly embarrassed by the knowledge that while his Party still composes the Singapore government, it does so without holding any majority in the Assembly. It is just possible that this will detract from the weight of his opinion in Whitehall.

It may be taken for granted, therefore, Mr Marshall will be closely questioned about the prospects of the present Singapore government's position being made more stable in the near future. To Whitehall, the Labour Front coalition headed by Mr Marshall is by far the most moderate of the parties possessing substantial representation in the Singapore Assembly, and in consequence the most acceptable for negotiating constitutional reform such as full self-government.

The Chief Minister can undoubtedly speak with authority today, but not with the same authority as that which would be invested in a leader whose government enjoyed a clear working majority. Party defections such as those which Mr Marshall has suffered in recent weeks must inevitably create some doubts in the minds of non-partisans.

It is not suggested that the Chief Minister will have any reason to feel dissatisfied with his visit to Britain when it comes to an end later in the month. He starts off with the knowledge that the Imperial government is sympathetic towards the political aspirations of the Singapore people. To augment this he will be provided with many opportunities of convincing all shades of political opinion in England that his demands for full internal self-government are well-founded and appropriate.

Not with envy, but with deep interest, Hongkong will follow Mr Marshall's fortunes during the next fortnight. The constitutional future of Singapore will very largely hang on the outcome of his visit to England. Assuredly the value of holding next year's conference will depend on the success of his current mission.

Mr Marshall's objectives are high and far-reaching. If they are realised they may well have an impact on Hongkong. There is no great anxiety for major constitutional changes here at the moment, but if in due course Singapore, which as a Colony has interests closely allied with ours, makes an indisputable success of self-government, the achievement can be expected to stimulate interest in constitutional reform in Hongkong.

**FRENCH SOCIALISTS' "NO" TO REDS**

**AGREEMENT ON CYPRUS REPORTED**

Nicosia, Dec. 6. Political quarters forecast here tonight that a solution to the problem of Cyprus's future, agreed on by Britain and Greece, would be announced "within a few days."

They said this solution carried the agreement of the Greek Government and Archbishop Makarios, leader of the Etnos (union with Greece) movement, and included an acknowledgment by Britain of the right of Cypriots to self-determination in the unspecified future.

The solution, these quarters said, provides for co-operation by Archbishop Makarios on a self-governing system on the island and talks on the island's eventual future within the framework of Middle East security requirements.

They said the principal stumbling block in this agreement so far was Turkey's view that acknowledgment of self-determination was completely unacceptable.

These sources said American diplomats were taking an active part in impressing Ankara with the importance of accepting the solution under guarantees for the island's 100,000 Turkish minority.—China Mail Special.

**Election Alliance Offer Rejected**

Paris, Dec. 6. The French Socialist Party's national council tonight rejected a motion suggesting an electoral alliance with the Communist Party. The vote was 1,979 to 1,243 with 326 abstentions.

The council then adopted a motion authorising local Socialist federations to form alliances if they wished with other parties of the Left, notably the Radicals, led by former Premier Pierre Mendes-France.

The motion said that the national council formally authorised the executive committee to oppose all alliances with reactionary, clerical or totalitarian parties.

But it was ready to allow alliances with all those opposed to "measures directed against democracy," and with all those who shared the Socialist principles of democratic liberty, controlled disarmament, Atlantic defence and social progress.



MOSHE SHARETT

**Israel's Frontier Adjustments Offer**

Washington, Dec. 6. Israel is ready to consider "minor" adjustments of frontier in a peace treaty with Arab states, the Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr Moshe Sharett, told newsmen after an interview with the American Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, here today.

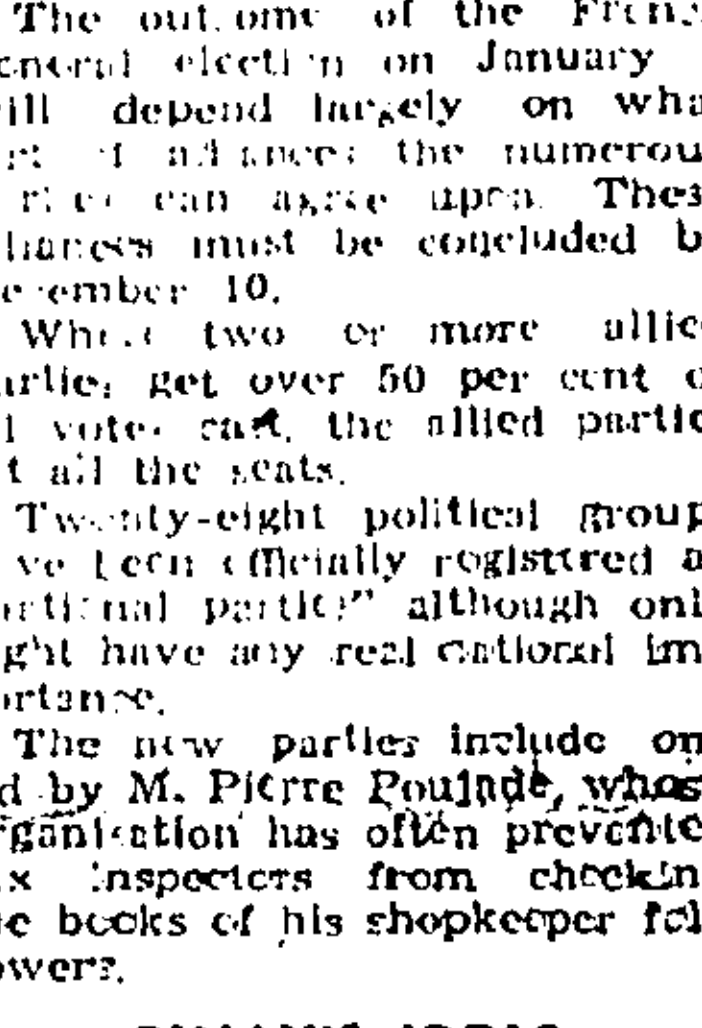
A peaceful settlement between Israel and the Arab countries would depend on the the "goodwill" of the Arabs, of which Israel had absolutely no indication, said Mr Sharett. He added that he foresaw no improvement in the situation, and rather expected that it would get worse. It remained to be seen, he said, whether the superiority which Egypt had assured herself as re-

gards to arms would help or not in favour of peace.

Also present at the interview today were the Assistant Secretary of State for Middle East Affairs, Mr George Allen, and the Israeli Ambassador in Washington, Abba Eban.

Mr Sharett said that Sir Anthony Eden's plan for peaceful solution in the Middle East had been fully discussed, as also had the Israeli request for arms to the United States. The request was still under discussion, Mr Sharett said.

Mr Sharett's interview lasted nearly two hours. He said afterwards that it was possible he would see Mr Dulles again before leaving the United States next Monday for Europe.—France-Press.



PINAY'S IDEAS

The election programme of a right-wing alliance between the Conservatives, right wing Radicals and the Popular Republican Movement (Catholic) would be dominated by the ideas of M. Antoine Pinay, present Foreign Minister.

It would stress the need for financial stability, which M. Pinay helped to bring about in 1953, the encouragement of private enterprise and a continued increase in productivity.

M. Edgar Faure, the outgoing Premier and the other leader of this coalition, believed the standard of living can be doubled in ten years.

A left-wing alliance between supporters of M. Mendes-France and the Socialist Party would stress two things in different degrees, according to whether the Mendes-France candidates or the Socialist candidates were involved.

The Socialists put on immediate increase in the minimum wage to the front of their programme.

M. Mendes-France himself has counselled his supporters to go for a new deal all round, especially a new deal in parliamentary representation.—Reuter.

**Wreckage Found After 8 Years**

London, Dec. 7. A British transport plane, which disappeared eight years ago while on a flight over the Andes Mountains in South America, has been discovered, a spokesman of the British Overseas Airways Corporation said here yesterday evening.

The plane, a Lancaster, disappeared on August 2, 1947, between Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Santiago, Chile.

The spokesman said that the Corporation's representative in Santiago had reported the wreck of the machine had been found but no details were available.—France-Press.

**BORDER CLASH**

Gaza, Dec. 6. An Egyptian army spokesman said today that about 30 Israeli soldiers and two armoured vehicles crossed the demarcation line near Gaza this morning and opened fire on Egyptian frontier posts.

The Egyptian fired back and an artillery duel ensued lasting into the afternoon, said the spokesman.—France-Press.

**Britain Wants Eniwetok For Testing An H-Bomb**

London, Dec. 6. Britain is expected to ask the United States for permission to use the Eniwetok atoll as a testing ground for the first British hydrogen bomb.

Informed sources said today that Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, would make this request to President Eisenhower when he goes to the United States on January 30 for a series of top-level talks.

Britain's H-bomb will be ready for testing next spring, but Australia is understood to be opposed to holding the test on the Montebello archipelago, where the first British atom bomb was exploded, because of its nearness to Australian territory.

Earlier today, Sir Anthony Eden told the House of Commons that his government intended to continue its H-bomb project.

He said that the hydrogen bomb would be the principal element of the British defence system and would also place Britain on an equal footing politically with the United States and the Soviet Union.

**Other Topics**

Among the other topics that Sir Anthony Eden will discuss with President Eisenhower during his trip to the United States is a plan for a co-ordinated Anglo-American strategic bombardment organisation, political observers here believe.

President Eisenhower and Sir Anthony Eden are expected to consider a new joint policy capable of again giving Western diplomacy the initiative in Europe, the Middle East and Southeast Asia. Offers of aid to India and Burma during the present visit of Soviet leaders Bulganin and Khrushchev have undoubtedly greatly disturbed both the British and American governments.

The situation in Egypt, since it received arms shipments from Czechoslovakia, also disturbs the two governments.

The two Western statesmen are expected to work out a common policy that could be presented to Bulganin and Khrushchev when they visit Britain on April 26. This policy would cover the entry of Communist China in the United Nations and general disarmament projects, observers here believe.—France-Press.

**Taxi Drivers To Go On Strike**

Paris, Dec. 6. Paris automobile traffic, which has frequently been compared to a three-ring circus, will be deprived of some of its most dare-devil performers every Sunday beginning on January 8. The taxi drivers are going on strike.

The taxi drivers decided at a meeting held today to strike every Sunday from that date. They are seeking higher legal immunity for drivers who own their own cabs and do not pay social security.—France-Press.

**British Steamer Attacked, Report**

Paris, Dec. 6. The Communist New China news agency reported tonight that the British steamer Hydra-lock had arrived at Foochow after being attacked by Chinese Nationalist aircraft off Pailuan Island yesterday.

The Communist agency said the Nationalist planes made three strafing attacks on the ship and scored many hits.—France-Press.

**US TELLS NATIONALIST CHINA—REFRAIN FROM USING VETO**

Washington, Dec. 6. Mr John Foster Dulles, the United States Secretary of State, said today Nationalist China had not stated yet if it would follow the intent of the United States and refrain from vetoing the admission of Outer Mongolia to the United Nations.

Mr Dulles told his press conference the United States had explained its position to Nationalist China "that the veto was an exceptional power to be used only in exceptional circumstances, and that it should not be used to prevent the admission of states which a qualified majority of the United Nations Security Council and General Assembly should be admitted."

**COMMONWEALTH MEMBERSHIP DESIRED**  
**Mr Marshall Discusses Future Of Singapore**

New Delhi, Dec. 6. In a press interview tonight, Mr David Marshall, Chief Minister of Singapore, said he agreed with Mr Nehru's statement that he hoped to see Malaya and Singapore members of the Commonwealth. He emphasised his point by declaring "Indeed I do."

Asked whether he wanted the same status as India, he told Reuter: "I do not aspire to that at present. We would like Commonwealth status with foreign affairs and defence vested in Britain by treaty or some other arrangement. I do not ask for the impossible."

Asked how he viewed Singapore's position as an Asian military base, Mr Marshall said: "Singapore is the pivot of the entire Anglo-American strategy in the Far East. I recognise sufficiently the strength of that factor. I am not asking for control of defence at this stage."



DAVID MARSHALL

Asked whether he thought he could rule Singapore without troops, Mr Marshall said: "The police force have shown themselves efficient and adequate. Troops were not used in the riots last May. I see no reason why in the normal course of things, assistance of troops should be required though naturally there should be precautionary measures providing for extreme eventualities."

Question: "Where do the sympathies of the 78 per cent Chinese out of Singapore's population lie—with Formosa or the Peking Government?"

Mr Marshall: "The majority naturally are proud of the fact that for the first time in modern history, their motherland has a strong government. The question of loyalty to Singapore, so far, has not arisen because there has so far been the question of loyalty to the colonial concept. But I believe that those who have lived sometimes for generations in Singapore will give loyalty to the land when it is an independent constitutional entity."

**Risk With A Chance**

Question: "Do you feel that you may be taking a risk by demanding self-government for Singapore at this stage?"

Mr Marshall: "All life is a risk. This is a risk with a chance of reaching stability, while negotiation of the present dynamic urge for freedom must inevitably result in chaos."

Question: "Do you think the Labour Front will sweep the polls at the next elections?"

Mr Marshall: "I hope, but do not prophesy. The parties are in an embryonic stage. There are no firm loyalties at present. I believe there is considerable goodwill for the parties represented in a coalition government, and it will up for us to organise and benefit by that goodwill."

**Nehru's Views**

India's Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, said today he was sure that the problems of Singapore and the Federation of Malaya would be dealt with more adequately when the people of these countries have a sensation of freedom and have to shoulder the responsibilities.

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**Russian's Xmas Fare Will Include The 1956 Budget**

Moscow, Dec. 6. A top Supreme Soviet official confirmed today that the 1956 budget would be discussed at the Christmas session of the Supreme Soviet, which has been called without any official explanation.

Mr A. P. Volkov, chairman of the Council of the Union of the Supreme Soviet (the Upper House), told correspondents at a diplomatic reception today that the session, beginning on December 23, would definitely include the budget, though the full agenda was not yet available.

Mr Volkov indicated that the session would last from five to seven days.

**POLICY SPEECH?**

Diplomats believed that the Soviet Prime Minister, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, or the Communist Party chief, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, back from their Asian tour, would make a major foreign policy speech, perhaps including a dramatic announcement.

But important new ideas to end the "cold war" were considered unlikely in view of the Soviet leaders' sharp criticisms of the West during their Asian visit.

Experienced observers said that if the Russians had the idea of issuing a "Christmas message," they might speak out on December 23, at the start of the session to make an impact on the West over Christmas, and get their views into Western newspapers at a moment when people usually have more time and might be thought by the Russians to be receptive to some new "peace and goodwill" proposals.—Reuter.

**BOY WHO ATTENDED ILLEGAL MEETING TO BE WHIPPED**

Nicosia, Dec. 6. The Paphos special court for political offences today sentenced a 15-year-old Cypriot-Greek schoolboy to receive six strokes of a whip after he was found guilty of taking part in an illegal meeting.

It was the first whipping sentence handed down under Cyprus's new state of emergency regulations.

At the same time, a Greek deacon was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, and three other students were fined from £10 to £20 for similar offences.

Meanwhile, in Famagusta some 500 left-wing workers demonstrated against a speech made in London yesterday by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Harold Macmillan, which gave no assurance that Cyprus would be granted the right of self-determination. The police did not interfere in the demonstration and there were no incidents.

**FIRST NEED**

In Nicosia, Dr Fadli Kutchuk, Chairman of the Cyprus-Turkish Party, today expressed satisfaction with sections of Mr Macmillan's speech, which stressed Turkey's opposition to self-determination for Cyprus.

Dr Kutchuk said: "Our claim is that terrorism should first of all be stamped out, when we would consider taking part in a self-governing system here on the condition that Turks and Greeks should be given equal status in the Cyprus Parliament."

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**32 LIVES LOST DURING US ATOMIC MANOEUVRES**

Fort Polk, Louisiana, Dec. 6. Thirty-two United States soldiers died during the "Sagebrush" atomic manoeuvres staged in Louisiana during the past three weeks, it was reported by the army authorities here today.

"Sagebrush" was the largest scale set of military manoeuvres to be organised since the end of world war two. Troops taking part numbered 140,000.

In the mock battle, the home side had to thrust off an attack by an "enemy" using strategic and tactical atomic weapons.

Fifteen soldiers died in accidents involving military trucks, automobiles and tanks. Seven others died in accidents with civilian vehicles. Two soldiers were drowned, and two killed in a helicopter accident. One was killed in the course of a parachute jump and another was electrocuted.

Other deaths were caused by lightning and by disease.—France-Press.

**THIS MAY LOSE HIM HIS CHANCE**

Bonn, Dec. 6. Herr Kurt Kiesinger, leading Christian Democrat and one of the candidates to succeed Dr Konrad Adenauer in the Chancellorship, has suffered a sudden heart attack, it was learned today.

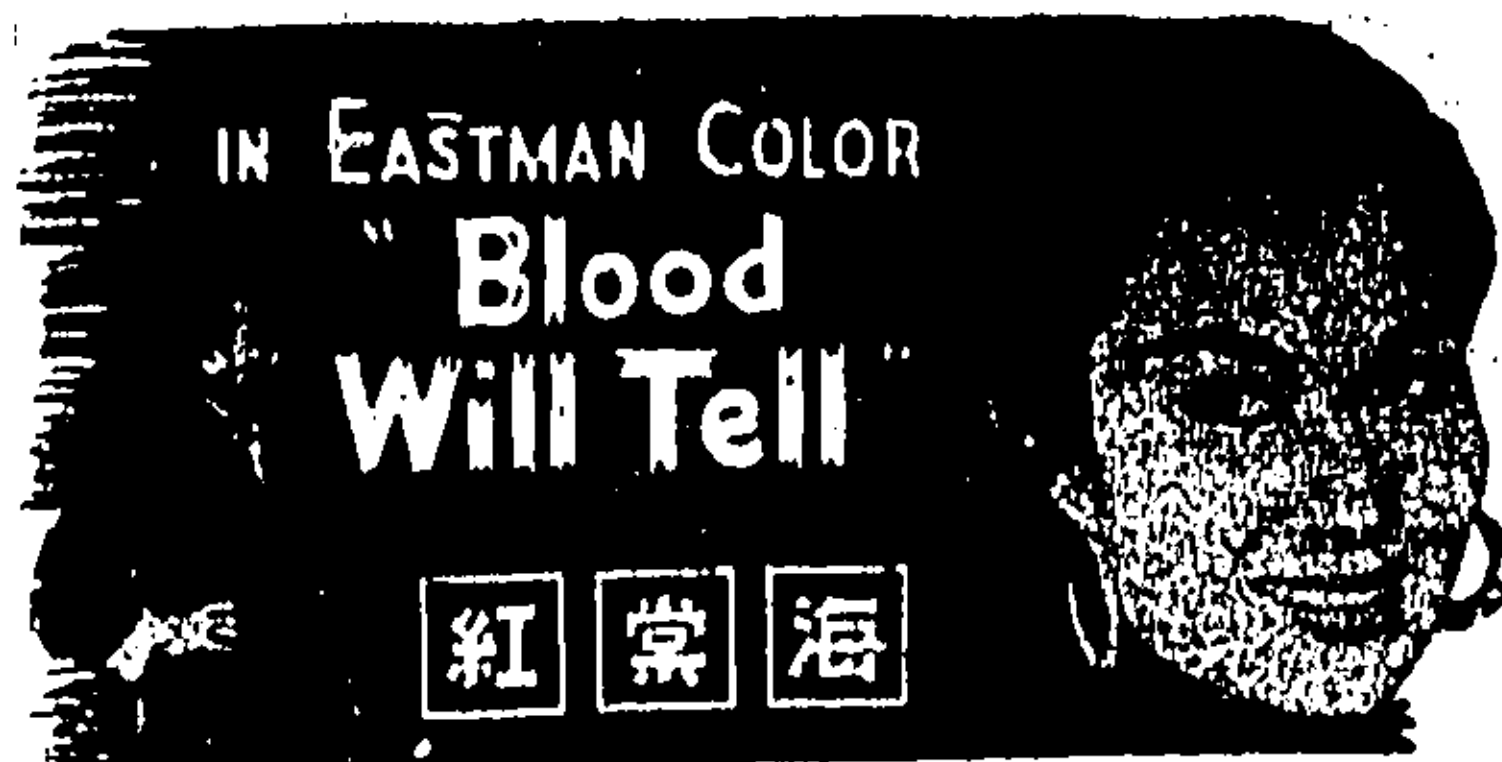
This, and the position within the Party today of Dr Gerhard Schröder, the Minister of the Interior, may throw doubt on the succession to Dr Adenauer.

Herr Kurt Kiesinger's illness will severely handicap him in his future political ambitions, Dr Schröder, 48, announced today that he had accepted the leadership of the Protestant branch of the Christian Democratic Parliamentary Party offered to him last week.—Reuter.



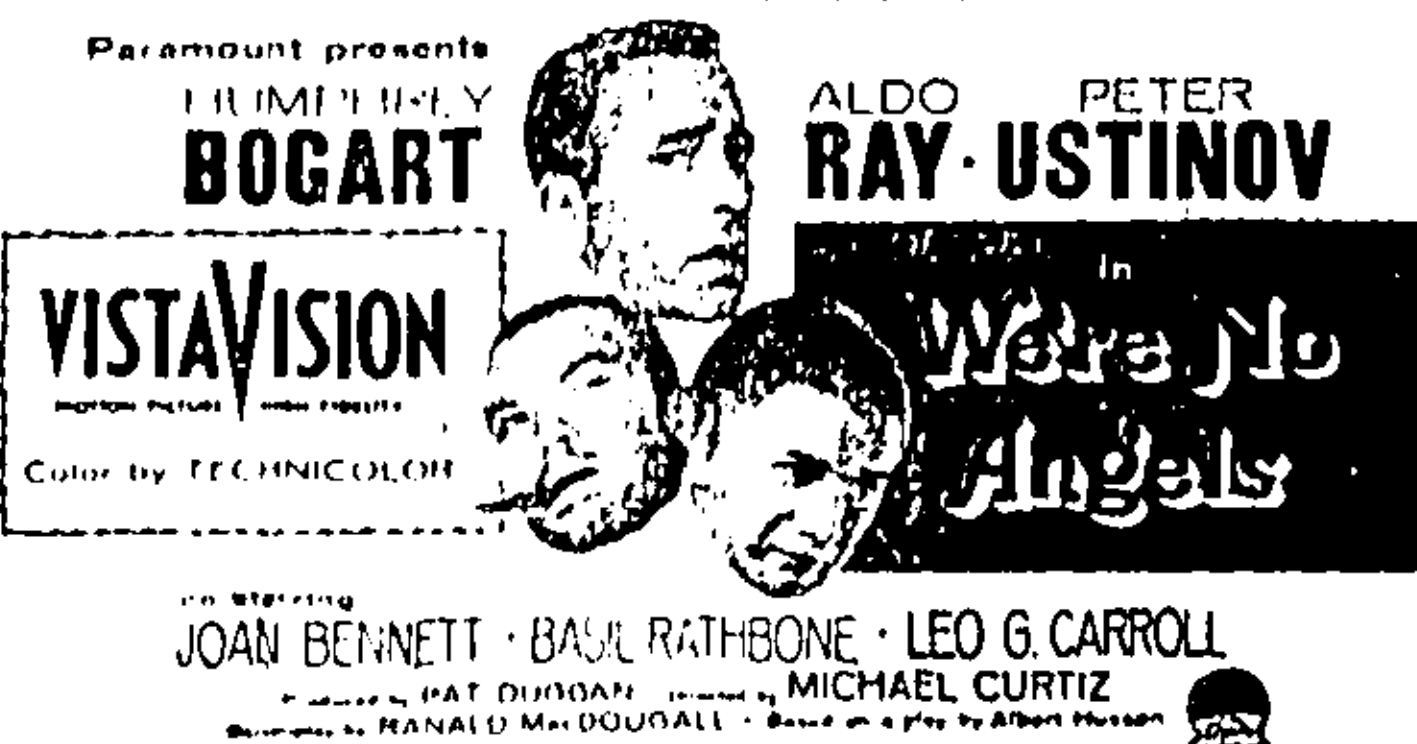
## KING'S PRINCESS

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LI LI-HWA • WONG YIN in  
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## KING'S PRINCESS EMPIRE

— TO-MORROW —

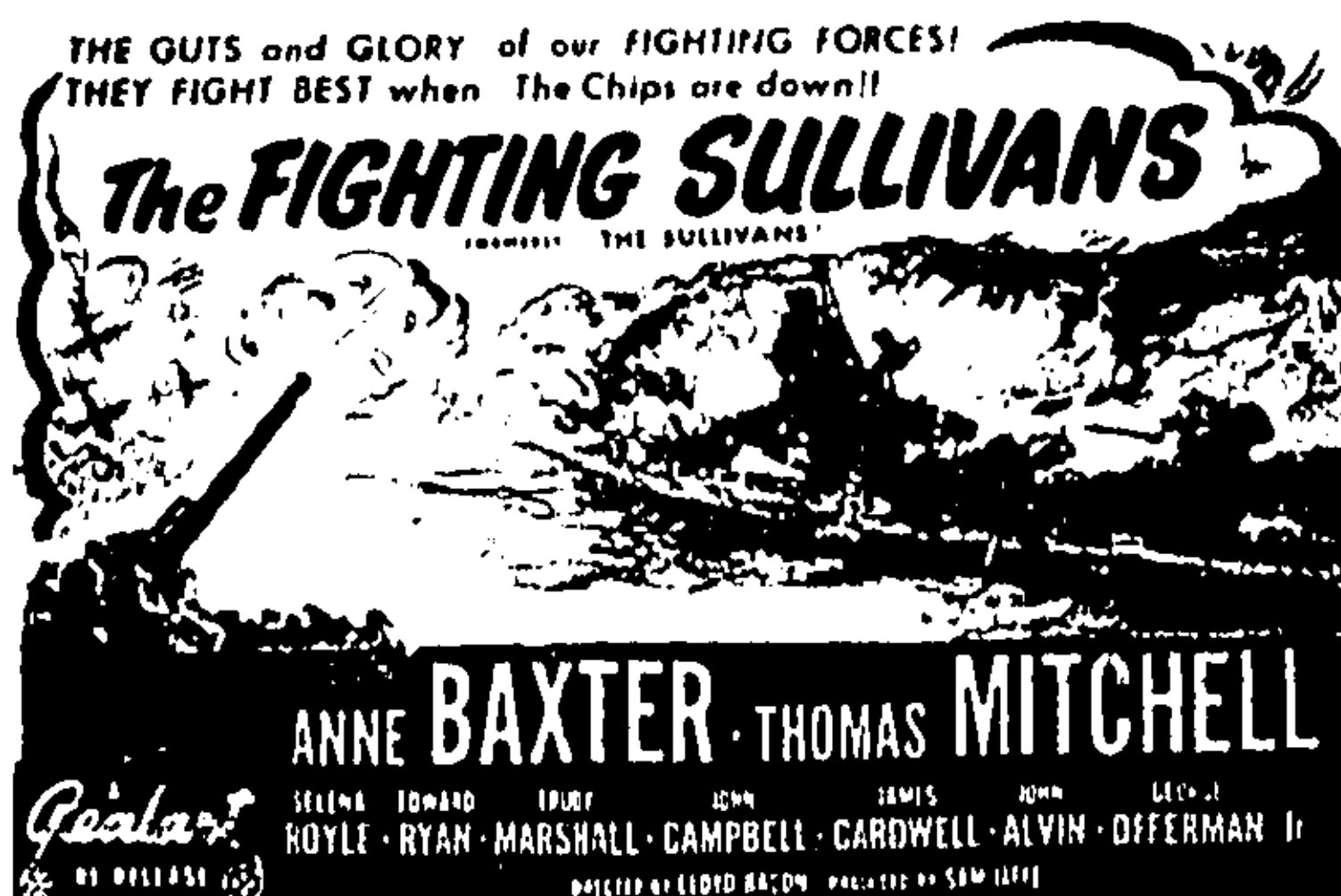


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IN EUROPEAN HISTORY

London, Dec. 6.

Mr Harold Macmillan, British Foreign Secretary, said today that the most important step in European history during the century was able to be taken this year.

"We were able to bury the hatred between France and Britain and Germany, and to accept the new Germany as a fellow member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. Thus, our three countries are now allies."

Mr Macmillan was addressing the annual general meeting of the Anglo-French society in the House of Lords.

He said that all over the world French policy and British policy had found themselves in fundamental agreement because "our interests are the same and we must go forward hand in hand."

## Utmost Value

He added: "If any illustration of this were needed, it was the recent conference of Foreign Ministers in Geneva. Mr John Foster Dulles (United States) and M. Antoine Pinay (France) and myself found ourselves in complete agreement on every aspect of our policy and we were able to pursue a common course in even the smallest details."

"The clear mind and the lively interventions of M. Pinay were of the utmost value in presenting the Western case."

Mr Macmillan observed that the relations between Britain and France had never been on such a sensible, tolerant footing as they were today.

Mr Macmillan said that Britain held every sympathy for the difficulties of France in North Africa.

"It is our most earnest hope that they may reach a solution which will be loyally supported by all the peoples," he added.

— Reuters.

## Dummy Police 'Gulde'



New-fangled way of keeping motorists on the straight and narrow path is in use at Duisburg. Germany—dummy policemen pointing to traffic signs. The dummy cops were introduced by authorities in an effort to cut down the numerous road accidents with which Germany, like so many heavily industrialised countries is plagued.—Express Photo.

## MURDER OF INDIAN STUDENT

Defendant's Girl  
Sat On Divan

London, Dec. 6.

A 17-year-old typist told a court here today that she and her friend had sat on the divan of a London flat in which the battered body of an Indian student was later found.

The typist, Miss Ann Tilling, was giving evidence at the trial of the boy friend, 22-year-old

Patrick Antonio Michael Ross, warehouseman, who is charged with the murder last month of Akorn Chandra Dutta, 28.

Ross was today remanded until December 13. Last Tuesday the prosecution read an alleged statement by Ross in which he said he hit Dutta.

## Gave Her Trinkets

Catholic Church  
Expanding  
In China

Manila, Dec. 6.

A Western Catholic missionary who was expelled from China said here today that the Roman Catholic Church in China was expanding "despite pressure" by the Peking People's Government.

He said the Church was "still very much alive" because of the "fortitude" of Chinese Catholics.

Father Raymond de Jaeger, Regent of the Institute of Far Eastern Studies at Seton Hall University, South Orange, New Jersey, was speaking at the first Asian congress of lay apostolate now being held here.

The congress was attended by more than 150 delegates from India, Japan, Singapore, Malaya, Hongkong, Pakistan, Ceylon, Burma, Nationalist China, South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines.

Father de Jaeger, who was a missionary in China for 17 years, said he had seen Chinese Catholics cling to their faith despite Communist "persecution."—Reuters.

Miss Tilling told the court today that on November 6, the approximate date of the alleged murder, she and Ross went to the Cenotaph in Whitehall, the War Office and then Ross's flat.

Ross showed her a gold travelling clock and gave her a trinket and some postcards of Canada. They sat on the divan.

Mr A. C. Prothero, who is defending, asked Miss Tilling if she tried to persuade her not to sit on the divan. She said he had not.

Mr Prothero: "There is no suggestion that you both sat on the divan is there?—We did, yes."

Miss Tilling said that earlier on October 28 Ross told her he was going to Germany. She said: "He asked me—I can't remember how he put it—if you killed someone could you smell the body?"

Answering Mr Prothero, Miss Tilling said she told Ross she did not know.

## Behaved Properly

Ross had always behaved properly towards her. The day he told her he was going to Germany he also said he had had all his money changed into foreign currency to take with him.

Next day he told her his employers had given him a cheque for 80 or 150 sterling.

—China Mail Special.

Strike Delays  
Christmas  
Mail

San Francisco, Dec. 6.

A strike called by AFL marine firemen to back demands for increased vacation pay delayed a cargo of Christmas mail today for servicemen overseas.

The mail was aboard the China Transport, a freighter operated by Pacific Transport Lines. The boat was supposed to have sailed on Sunday for the Orient, but the firemen refused to sign on for the voyage.

Aboard the vessel were 751 tons of general military cargo and 2,353 sacks of mail for Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps men in Hawaii, Japan and Okinawa. Also aboard were 5,800 sacks of civilian mail.

## Decide Today

Army and Navy officials were to decide today whether to shift the Christmas mail to another vessel.

The China Transport was the first ship to be delayed by the marine firemen since they announced last week that all member firms of the Pacific Maritime Association would be subject to their refusal to sign on.—United Press.

ALLEGED  
ABDUCTION  
CASE CLOSED

Calcutta, Dec. 6.

LOCAL magistrates yesterday set free Bahadur Rehman, a 24-year-old Pakistani, who had been charged with abducting Mrs Edna Mary Dixon, a 34-year-old British housewife from her husband's residence.

Police had submitted to the court that Rehman, who had been employed by the Dixons as a cook, had abducted Mrs Dixon on August 3, from her home at Beighurra, just outside Calcutta.

Five days later Rehman and Mrs Dixon were traced to a hotel in Madras, police said. The Magistrates Court today issued an order freeing Rehman after they had heard a request from the husband, Mr Ernest Dixon, asking that the case be abandoned.

Mr Dixon, a foreman in a locomotive boiler factory, said he did not like to proceed further in the case because of the health and mental state of his wife. The police recommended the request to the court.—China Mail Special.

Reds Trying  
Malayan  
Government

Canberra, Dec. 6.

Minister of External Affairs Richard Casey today warned that Malayan Communists are "sorely" trying the patience of the Malayan Government.

He charged that the Malayan terrorists were using to their own advantage the amnesty offered them by the Malayan Government.

Since the end of September, when the Communists called for ceasefire discussions, he said, they have issued provocative and impudent statements.

"The trouble with the Communist terrorists, as with Communists all over the world, is that if you attempt a conciliatory approach, they immediately try to take advantage of it," Mr Casey said.

"For the present, the Malayan Government's extremely generous offer stands, even though its patience is being sorely tried," he said.—United Press.

## QUEEN'S &amp; ALHAMBRA

— SHOWING TO-DAY —

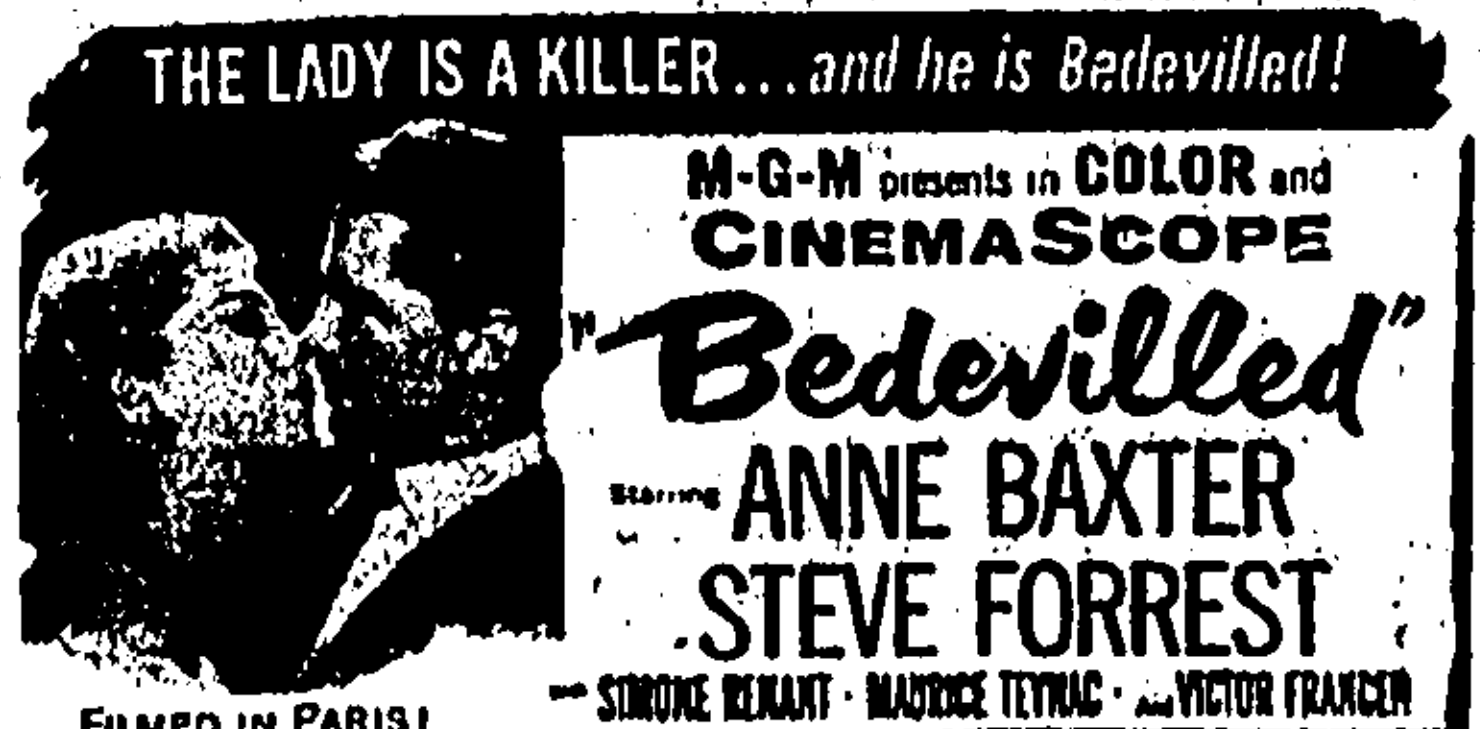


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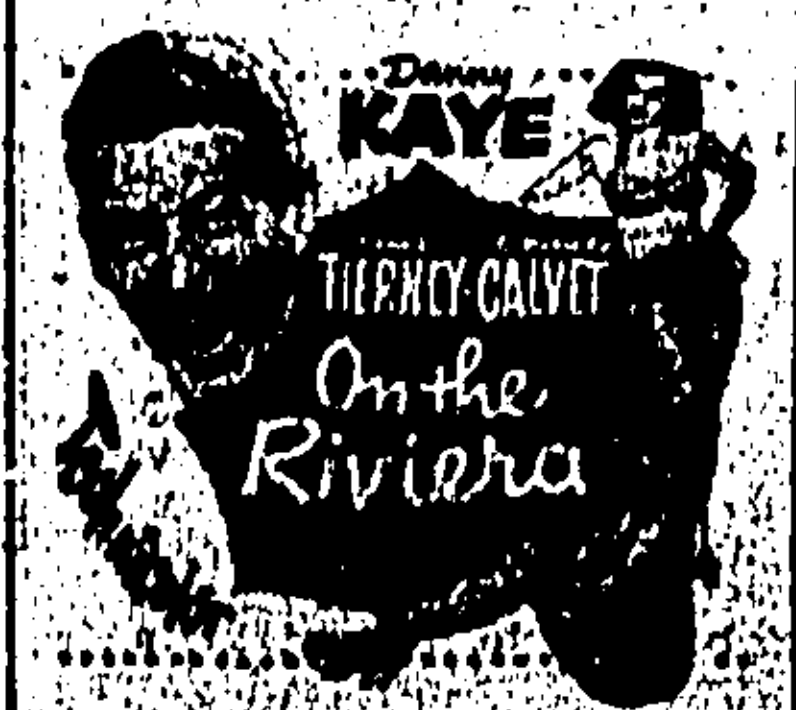
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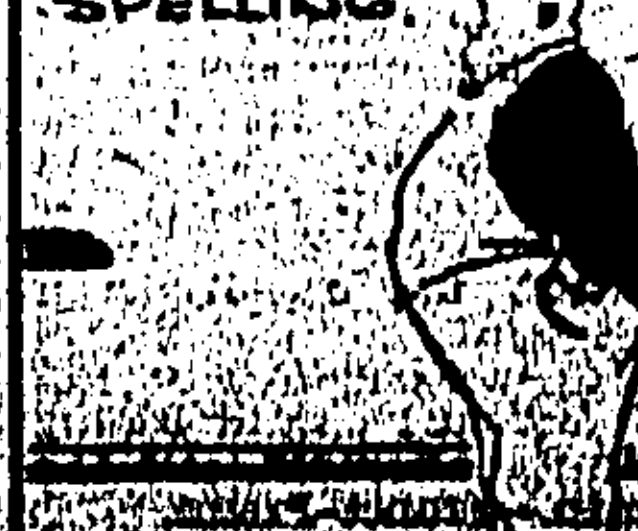
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# Moroccan Rebels Free Leader

## DARING RAID ON HOSPITAL

Oujda, French Morocco, Dec. 6.  
Growing rebel activity in the Riff mountains on the borders of Spanish Morocco and Algeria is causing concern to the French authorities.

The most spectacular and daring rebel coup came last night when a commando of 30 steel-helmeted and uniformed raiders set free a rebel leader from the hospital at Berkane. In the last two months, there have been 98 incidents in the frontier region compared with 84 in the previous nine months.

### Pravda Attacks Western Journalists

London, Dec. 6.  
THE Soviet Communist Party newspaper, Pravda, today launched a second attack in two days on Western correspondents covering the Asian tour of Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchev. The newspaper said yesterday that these correspondents were acting with "intent" by misinforming the public, and that the British Foreign Office had lent support to their "distorted" dispatches. Pravda, quoted by Moscow Radio, said today that the Western newspapermen were making "frantic attempts to prove that the welcome accorded to the Soviet leaders in Burma, as in India, was not spontaneous but ordered."

It said that at Mandalay Airport, correspondents asked a Burmese soldier with a mine detector to pose for pictures as if he was actually making a search.

"This was organised by the correspondent of the London Observer," Philip Deane, who, as is well known, was captured during the Korean War and, after being released, excelled himself with disgraceful and slanderous attacks on the (North) Korean People's Democratic Republic.

Pravda said.—China Mail Special.

Since the beginning of October there has been intense terrorist activity in the mountainous and wooded country inhabited by one of the most turbulent tribes in Morocco. The terrorists have singled out the traditional leaders of the Moroccan communities who are being either assassinated or forced to resign.

### More Terrorists

Despite powerful French troop reinforcements, the army has been unable to put a stop to rebel raids. On the contrary the number of the terrorists involved has mounted steadily. The army estimated that there is a hard core of about 200 rebels divided into well armed groups of 11. They are operating in the triangle north of Oujda, bounded by the Spanish Morocco and Algerian borders.

Their ultimate object is believed to be a rising by the 110,000 tribesmen of the Beni Snassen which would enable them to establish a continuous rebel front linking Morocco and Algeria. This would mean the union of the "forces of liberation" sought by the headquarters of the movement in Cairo.

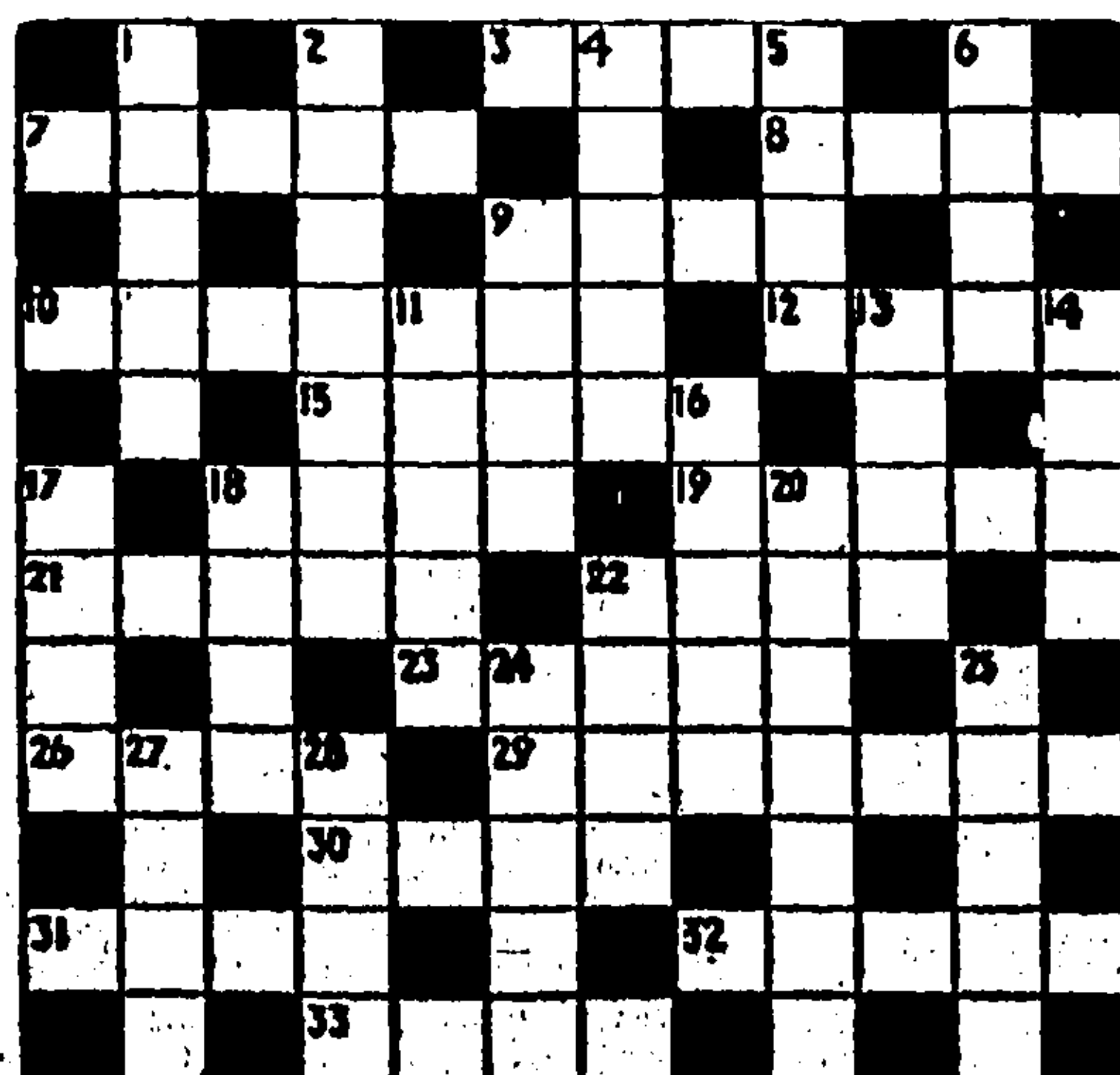
### Intensive Propaganda

To the west of the Oujda triangle rebel envoys are carrying out intensive propaganda. Their main target are the tribes controlling the approaches to Taza on the main road between Oujda and Fez.

The authorities are countering the rebel infiltration by a programme of economic aid to the tribes and by reinforcing the garrison of Taza.—France-Press.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 6.  
Clemente Achaval, labour-in-law and former adviser of ex-Argentine President Eduardo Lonardi, was arrested here today. General Lonardi was a leader of the military group which overthrew former President Peron.—France-Press.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Catalogue (4).
  - Wooden shoe (5).
  - Notion (4).
  - Certain (4).
  - Hopeliveness (7).
  - Killed (4).
  - Leaf (5).
  - Over-supply (4).
  - Speak (5).
  - Angler's basket (5).
  - Lost blood (4).
  - Feature (5).
  - Goes astray (4).
  - Laborious (7).
  - Promiscuity (5).
  - Bill of fare (4).
  - Trip (5).
  - Fashion (4).
- DOWN**
- Refuge (5).
  - Make up (7).
  - Harden (5).
  - Fastens (4).
  - Lake (4).
  - Sediment (4).
  - Crown-up (5).
  - Burden (4).
  - Blind (4).
  - Substantial (5).
  - Land measure (4).
  - Equipment (4).
  - Comes back (7).
  - Naked (4).
  - Suit (5).
  - Hasten (5).
  - Regretted (4).
  - Decor (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD:** Across: 1. Hilarious. 2. Acid. 3. Super. 4. Nitro. 5. Turn. 6. Celebrated. 7. Rain. 8. Fog. 9. Depression. 10. Dope. 11. Work. 12. Abuse. 13. Dope. 14. Down. 15. Trip. 16. Dope. 17. Abuse. 18. Dope. 19. Down. 20. Trip. 21. Dope. 22. Abuse. 23. Dope. 24. Down. 25. Trip. 26. Dope. 27. Abuse. 28. Dope. 29. Down. 30. Trip. 31. Dope. 32. Abuse. 33. Dope.

### New Outfit For Sophia



The world of Italian filmgoers is split currently into two camps—the partisans of sexy, curvaceous Gina Lollobrigida and the partisans of curvaceous, sexy Sophia Loren. (We're neutral—we'll take both.) Sophia's next move in the battle between the two gals for optimum publicity will be a tour of major European cities in connection with her new film "The River Girl." She is shown here being fitted with one of her outfits for the tour by Rome tailor Schubert.—Express Photo.

## Cabinet Discusses Progress Of Cyprus Talks

London, Dec. 6.  
Sir Anthony Eden's Cabinet today discussed latest reports on the progress of secret talks on the future of Cyprus, the island colony where violence is flaring in support of the union with Greece campaign.

Mr Harold Macmillan, the Foreign Secretary, told the Commons yesterday that Britain was prepared to accept self-determination "sometime"—which diplomatic sources here took to be a small step towards meeting the "Enosis" (union with Greece) demand.

Previously, the British Government had declined to commit itself on the principle of self-determination.

Mr Macmillan's disclosure of the behind-the-scenes talks in Athens and Ankara was the first official admission that negotiations for a settlement were currently going on.

The Foreign Secretary stressed that when he referred to self-determination "sometime" he meant under conditions which would have to be worked out and be acceptable.

**Strategic Reasons**  
Diplomatic sources said the present talks were on the issue of a clearer definition of "sometime." In the British Government's view, the strategic reasons for maintaining a strong base in the Eastern Mediterranean are vital factors in any settlement.

Mr James Griffiths, former Labour Colonial Secretary, came out with the clearest statement so far on opposition policy to Cyprus in the House of Commons debate.

He said the island should be offered self-determination by a target date and suggested within five years. Mr Griffiths said he understood that Archbishop Makarios, leader of the Enosis movement, would be willing to accept such proposal.

Labour's policy, diplomatic sources said, is based on the principle that dependent peoples, after a period of democratic evolution, should be allowed to choose their own future.

In the Government's assessment of the situation, the sources said, the position of the large Turkish minority is regarded as an important consideration.

### Great Mistake

Mr Macmillan stressed this yesterday when he declared: "It would be a great mistake to underestimate the strength of Turkish feeling or the tenacity of their purpose."

"Turkey is a country to which we have given a great deal of support since 1945, and it is not surprising that it should be so strongly opposed to the Enosis movement."

## Admit China To UN Demand

Rangoon, Dec. 6.  
BURMA and the Soviet Union issued a joint statement today calling for the admission of China into the United Nations, and settlement of the question of Indo-China, Korea, Formosa and United Nations membership.

The statement was signed by Premier U Nu and Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin, who is on an official visit here, together with the Soviet Communist Party First Secretary, Nikita Khrushchev.

The statement said: "The People's Republic of China should occupy its rightful place in the United Nations to enhance the prestige and importance of that organization."

It called for the settlement of the Indo-China question in conformity with the conference on Indo-China armistice which was held in Geneva in June, 1954.

### Return Islands

The statement demanded the unification of Korea and the return to China of Formosa and "other coastal islands."

Further attempts should be made to solve the problems which were outlined at the top-level talks, despite the failure of the Big Four foreign ministers' conference last month, the statement said.

Mr Khrushchev was nearly left out of today's signing ceremony when it was discovered that only two chairs had been provided for the signatories. U Nu called for a third chair.

After the signing, U Nu shook hands with Marshal Bulganin. Khrushchev hugged at Bulganin's sleeve and manoeuvred into position to join in a three-man handshake for photographers.

Marshal Bulganin was scheduled to give a banquet later today at the Presidential residence.—France-Press.

## Dutch Draw Up Agenda For Indonesia

The Hague, Dec. 6.  
The Dutch Government prepared an agenda for a ministerial level conference between Indonesia and Holland, and is awaiting Indonesian approval, informed Dutch sources said today.

The agenda, which the Djakarta government is now studying, consists of the following points:

1. The "Hague" protocol signed August 10, 1954. Indonesia wishes to make new proposals.
2. The Indonesian proposal to replace the December 27, 1949, financial-economic agreement between the two countries with one or more agreements, and a discussion of methods to reach this goal.
3. "Certain problems" relating to New Guinea, without prejudicing either side's stand on the sovereignty of the area. (Indonesia claims Indonesian sovereignty, and Holland claims Dutch sovereignty.)

### Other Questions

4. "Other questions" which might be felt by one of the parties to be of importance in their joint relations.

If the Indonesian Government approves the agenda, the Dutch has the Dutch are ready to begin talks at once—even before the United Nations begins its debate on the New Guinea issue.

The first three points of the agenda were suggested by Indonesia. The fourth was put on the agenda by Holland, to enable her to raise such matters as the treatment of Dutch prisoners in Indonesia if the desires.—United Press.

## Secret West German 'Mincemeat'

Bonn, Dec. 6.  
The West German Foreign Office is to set two missions to Munich to secret reports to longer needed into pieces so small that the most ingenious spy could never do them together again.

In the coming year the Foreign Office expects to see two missions to Munich to secret reports to longer needed into pieces so small that the most ingenious spy could never do them together again.

## Second Kon Tiki On The Way

Lima, Dec. 6.  
The raft "Cantuta del Peru" neared the Humboldt current today on the second day of what was beginning to be known as the "second Kon Tiki expedition."

The Cantuta was reported this morning to be some 80 miles out at sea and drifting at two miles an hour toward a point where prevalent winds and the Humboldt current would permit it to take a steady course westward, thus avoiding the danger of drifting toward the Galapagos Islands.

## UN Admission Showdown Tomorrow

United Nations, Dec. 6.  
The General Assembly is expected to meet in plenary session on Thursday to give final approval to a proposal for admission of 18 countries to the United Nations, it was disclosed today.

Prince Wan Walthayakon of Thailand, chairman of the Assembly's Special Political Committee, told of plans for handling the resolution to the Security Council by the end of this week. He spoke during his Committee's debate on the membership problem.

Prince Wan said debate on admission of new members would be completed by the Committee on Wednesday and action would be taken on a draft resolution of Council and 27 other members, calling for an 18-nation package deal.

### Affirm Action

He also said he expected that an Assembly plenary session could be held on Thursday to affirm the Committee action. He said he was not certain that the Security Council would meet on the membership issue before the early part of next week. However, there were indications that the 11-nation Council might be prepared to take up the question on Friday of this week.

The Council must make a favourable recommendation before any applicant country can be voted into the organization by the Assembly. An applicant must get seven affirmative votes in the Council. A negative vote—or veto—by any of the five permanent Council members would disqualify any applicant regardless of the total number of votes received.

### Hurry Along

Indian delegate V. K. Krishna Menon pointed out in the Special Political Committee the need for hurrying along the membership resolution so that the Assembly and Security Council can act prior to the end of the present session. The Assembly is scheduled to adjourn on December 10, but actually may not do so until about December 13.

Prince Wan said he fully realized the need for expediting the membership proposal and would do everything he could to speed it along.—United Press.

## YUGOSLAVIA RELEASES PROMINENT PRISONER

Belgrade, Dec. 6.  
Dragoljub Jovanovic, former head of an Agrarian Party and one of the last of the important postwar prisoners still in Yugoslav jails, has been released under last week's amnesty. It was learned today.

He had served all but six months of a nine-year sentence imposed in 1947 for acting as "an enemy of the people."

He had been among the most prominent of the left-wing non-Communist party leaders who collaborated with the Communist regime in the early years after the war, serving as a member of the Constituent Assembly and as Secretary-General of the "National Front."

### Critical

He was one of the few who criticized some of the regime's actions, partly in private sessions which always "looked" to the public later, and partly in public.

Another released prisoner, reported today that only 250 men tagged as "political" mostly those sentenced for "wrecking activities," still remain in the big federal penitentiary at Beograd-Mitrovica where Jovanovic and others were held.

Subsequent amnesties over the last three years have gradually limited the collaboration and wrecking activities of the postwar period.

This report was received from John Morrill, the Cantuta's American crew member.

The raft, which left Talara, Peru, after a delay of 20 days, is under the command of Eduardo Ingria, a 45-year-old naturalized Peruvian of Czech origin. Other crew members are another Czech, Jaromir Guerrero, an Argentine, Joaquin Guerrero, a Dutchman, Andy Ross, and a Peruvian girl, Natalia Mozuelos. There is also a parrot on board.

### Auxiliary Engine

The Cantuta was built along the lines of the famed Kon Tiki raft on which Norwegian explorer Thor Heyerdahl successfully drifted across the lower Pacific. However, in contrast to its celebrated predecessor, the Cantuta has a small auxiliary engine.

The members of the expedition made it clear they intended to use the engine only when the raft gets hopelessly bogged down during windless periods. They said it was mostly a "psychological help."

The small cabin was constructed so that it could take the beating from heavy swells. The raft's masthead flies the flag of Peru, Argentina, Holland, France and the United States.

"The easy part has been done. The hard part is yet to come," is the motto for the crew hung inside the cabin.

### Making Film

Ingria will make a film of the complete journey. He is also an accomplished musician.

During his stay in Talara he composed a "March of the Cantuta" to give his expedition a musical send-off.

Before leaving Talara he expressed hope he would be able to make undersea movies in the Pacific Islands and to have colour photographs published in Life magazine.—United Press.

## 'Noah's Ark' Leaves For Macquarie Is

Melbourne, Dec. 6.  
The Danish-owned Polar exploration ship, Kista Dan, (1,239 tons) sailed south from here on a 1,000-mile voyage today with 15 scientists and a "Noah's Ark" cargo of Border Leicester ewes, geese, ducks and hens.

They are on their way to Macquarie Island, Australia's Antarctic research station.

The scientists on the way to Macquarie Island are led by the New Zealand mountaineer, Mr. E. Adams.—China Mail Special.

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## CYCLING NOTES

# 100 MILES TIME TRIAL FOR THE FING LEE SHIELD WAS QUITE AN EVENT

Says "NTACA"

Sunday's 100 miles Time Trial for the "Fing Lee" Shield, was quite an event, perhaps the outstanding features being the fastest and slowest rides, and the first disqualification in the history of Colony cycling.

Organised by the SCAA (their first promotion), the event attracted a first-class field, the only notable absentee being the 7 Hussar team. Marshalling was of the highest order, and Timekeeper Edward Wong was assisted in his onerous task by Lam Sik-wah, the two performing a difficult job very well indeed.

Fastest time honours of the day went to Ron Beck, whose 4-25-40, although over a minute outside his own record time, was unanimously agreed to be his best ride to date. On a day with a wind which showed up almost everyone else, he rode magnificently to register a very close finish. This after losing time due to a loose brake block which had to be removed.

Slowest time, but still with honours, went to the REME (CC newcomer), Spray, who, in his second ride ever, registered the time of 5-17-28, to clinch the team award for his team after a couple of the more experienced riders had "pocketed".

At the end of the first 25 miles lap, Beck was already well in the lead, with 1-3-20, his nearest rival, REME's Marshall, doing a 1-6-25. Maxwell, the up-and-coming CYGNETS boy, was in third place with 1-7-05, closely followed by yet another new rider, Smith, of the Essex team,

and Ellingham, REME. First of the South China riders was Ng Shui-yue, in sixth position.

## STRONG WIND

By the fifty-miles mark, the strong wind was having its inevitable effect, and times were slowing. Beck was still in the lead, having run expertly through the field, and was first on the road as well as on actual time, with 2-12-06. Ellingham had moved up to second position in 2-19-05, Smith next with 2-20-20, and Ng Shui Yue a further 10 seconds down. Marshall had slowed a trifle to 2-21-45, but was moving well while Bould, REME, had moved up to record 2-23-40. The end of this lap saw the first retirement, Lam Hong giving the hard day best.

At 75 miles the list of "pocketers-in" lengthened, among those calling it a day being Ellingham and Lord, REME, Maxwell and Smith. Beck had increased his lead to 21 minutes. Marshall staying in second berth with 3-35-50. Bould moved up again to fill third place, another six minutes behind. Ng Shui-yue and Lam Hong were in the next two positions, while Chow Mun-cheung and Spray were having their own private battle some 12 minutes in arrears. Incidentally, Beck's time for the third "25" was a phenomenal 1-2-05, good enough to win him 125-mile event.

Over the final 25 miles, Beck still further improved his position, although he slowed down considerably, running out time with a fine 4-25-40, finishing completely exhausted. Marshall and Bould pulled away from their Chinese opponents to finish in that order, with times of 4-50-45 and 4-59-30 respectively. Ng Shui-yue turned in a creditable 5-0-41 for his first ride at the distance. He was followed by the remainder of his team, Ng Kai-man, (5-14-57), Lam Hong (5-11-27) and Chow Mun-cheung (5-16-20). Lam Hong was disqualified by the timekeeper for taking a short cut at the Furling roundabout, his time being discounted. Spray finished just two seconds behind Chow Mun-cheung, but had started a minute in front, and his time of 5-17-28 was good enough to give REME CC the custody of the "Fing Lee" Shield for the ensuing year.

REME's aggregate time, 15-11-43, was good enough to have beaten the SCAA boys even had Lam Hong's time been taken into account, and leaves the REME lads unbeaten at this distance. South China are feeling the loss of Au Chung-sing, who has turned his attention to middle-distance running, and will be a great loss to Colony cycling, where he had already begun to make a name for himself.

Ron Beck increases his lead in the competition for the "SCMP" BAR Cup to over 13 minutes by this ride, his nearest rival being Paddy Bouch. The only other rider to improve was Chow Mun-cheung, who topped the list of his previous best. In the Team Championship competition, REME CC gain yet another point from SCAA, totalling 27 to the 25 of the local boys, with the remainder of the clubs nowhere in the running.

## PREMIER BERTHS

Smith, the Essex newcomer, is a most promising rider. He uses a pedalling style reminiscent of the maestro Wilkinson, and showed what could be done on a fairly low gear, properly used. He twiddled 77" all the way round, and until his retirement at 75 miles, looked fully capable of filling one of the premier berths. Obviously a rider to be watched, especially as his forte is the Massed Start game, rather than the Time Trial. He should provide the much-needed "shot in the arm" for the Essex team, who have so far lacked a rider in the top flight.

The competition for the "SCMP" Cup goes a stage further on Sunday next, when the REME CC branches out as a promoting club for the first time, with their 25 miles Time Trial. With the 3-Day Race as close, it is felt that this will be a good opportunity for riders to sharpen up their speed, and a good field is expected.

It is gratifying to know that Colony cycling is not purely a pastime, and that interest in the game is being shown by those at the top. Ron Beck has recently

received an invitation from the Southern Couriers, a well-known Massed Start racing club in the Brighton area, to ride for his return to U.K. This is a compliment to Hong Kong cycling as much as to Ron himself, as unless our standards were accepted as high enough, he would have been required to prove himself in home competition before such an offer could be made. We are sure that Beck will not let us down, and his name will soon be appearing in the prize-lists at home with the same monotonous regularity as it does here. Good luck to you, Ron.

It is well known that our riders in the Tour de France last year gained the unstinting praise of the experts, and that praise has obviously been considered genuine enough to make the organizers of the Tour issue an invitation for a full team to compete in the 1956 race. With the experience gained in their first effort, plus the incentive to do even better this time, we can expect fireworks from our boys. I should not be at all surprised to see the Union Jack team figure in at least a few stage wins, even though premier honours may be some time off.

The news that Louison Bobet, twice winner of the event, is not to be riding next time, is a severe blow to the organizers, but Bobet wants to concentrate on the other two classic "Tours", those of Italy and Switzerland. He believes that one cannot do one's best in too many races of this magnitude, and maybe he is right.

I have received a very interesting letter from one of my readers, who queries the value of the advertising gained from the big races. He asks, "As we all know that equipment is checked over every night, replaced frequently and given a chance to prove its worth to the man who has to make his equipment last for a full season's racing at the very least, can we place much reliance on the many 'blubs' given to the stuff used in these classic events?"

"Could not an event be held where the original equipment is used and no replacements (other than tyres) allowed? This would give a much truer picture of the real value and wearing qualities of the goods we are expected to buy, because 'So-and-So' used R in the Tour?"

A very good idea. What do YOU think about it? Haven't you ever purchased some much-boasted item of gear, only to be let down by its short life? I have.

## Sports Diary

## TODAY

Gunnery v Rest of Army under floodlights at Club Ground at 6.30 p.m.

## SATURDAY

Senior Shield 1st round: Kitchener v Navy (CH) 3.30 p.m.

Junior Shield: CAA v Kitchener (CH) 2 p.m.; Dorewell v Gymnasium (Navy) 1.15 p.m.; Jardine v Dairy Farm (Navy) 3.45 p.m.

1st Division: Army "North" v RAF, ITC v Army "South"; ROC v KICC Schoolboys; Police v OOC; Recreation v Navy.

2nd Division: RAF v University "A"; Army "South" v ROC; ROC v Recreation; University "B" v DES; Navy v ROC "A".

Third Race Meeting at Happy Valley starting at 2 p.m.

## GRUNT AND GROAN—JAPANESE STYLE



Tokyo—A scene from the first Asian Professional Championships wrestling series: on the right, Hungary's "Man Mountain King Kong" (sic), exerting 400 lbs. pressure on Japanese Champ wrestler Rikadozan. The Japanese boy looks in trouble, but the 90-minute contest ended with a KO victory for him.—Express Photo.

## A Poor Soccer Attendance Can Make A Good Match Look Bad

Says ARCHIE QUICK

What makes a football match tick? To a large extent it is swayed by the crowd. 30,000 spectators can turn a mediocre game into a thriller. A poor attendance can make a good match look bad. By the same token a partisan crowd can cause a brilliant display to degenerate into a brawl, such is the influence on the players.

A typical example was the Bristol City-Sheffield Wednesday promotion battle. Here were two splendid eleven's lying second and third in the Second Division table. They came out and treated the 32,000 people present to as fine an exhibition of the arts of fast and skilful football as one could wish to see.

But the Ashton Gate crowd wanted something more than that—they wanted goals and did, put them on top of the table. So they exhorted their players to "have a go". One gentleman sitting behind the Press Box shouted: "Give them some Third Division rough stuff."

Then the playmen seemed to get infected with the unhealthy fervour. Good football was deserted, and the second half degenerated into a white heat brawl of pushing, mauling, tripping, punching and kicking. The referee could not possibly see all the fouling going on, so the crowd started bawling him.

## UNHAPPY RESULT

What was the unhappy result of it all? Home left-half Cyril Williams was sent off, the referee had a posse of police to escort him from the field and the Sheffield players had to be cordoned off by police from the crowd outside as they made their way from dressing room to motor coach.

Thus ended on a sad, tragic note a match which promised so much entertainment at its start. Crowds must take part of the blame for the falling standard of British football if this sort of thing goes on. It is happening on a greater scale in Scotland.

This was the first meeting of City and Wednesday for 31 years. Way back in 1921, the clubs played a 1-1 Cup tie at Hillsborough, and the Bristol scorer was Pocock. The same Billy Pocock sat in the stand and watched this travesty of a match. He is Chairman of the local Supporters' Club.

Also there was the famous "Fatty" Wedlock, England's centre-half of yesterday. He said: "They were tough in my days but we did not have all this petty fouling."

For 25 years the Army versus Aston Villa has been a keenly anticipated annual fixture on the Aldershot Command Stadium. The famous Birmingham club has always arranged to stay in London after a Saturday match, and play in the garrison town on the Monday. This year the game was altered to a Wednesday—and the result chaos.

First of all, Villa decided against all precedent to field only two men who played in the first team at Luton last month, in fact, seven of the eleven were recognised reserves. Next decision at Villa Park was to travel by a train which should have reached Aldershot an hour before the scheduled time of kick-off. Fog made them an hour late at Oxford, there was a derailment at Wokingham, and they eventually turned up two hours late—on an hour after kick-off time!

Meanwhile the Army played a side that was on a football coaching course at Aldershot, they "won" by 1-0 through a splendid long distance drive by Duncan Edwards, England and Manchester United's youthful left-half.

The Army-Villa match was restricted to 30 minutes each way, so the Army, with their preliminary "warm-up" got in their full 90 minutes—mostly in semi-darkness, and with the paying customers drinking tea in the NAAFI.

## WON BY A GOAL

Villa won by a goal scored by Billy Messenger 10 minutes after the interval. The match was full of stars. Two full English Internationals (Edwards and his teammate, right-back Billy Foulkes); two full Irish Internationals (Norman Lockhart and Peter McFarland); one full Irish International (Con Martin); one English Amateur International (Mike Pinner); four English "B" Internationals (Stan Anderson, Bill Baxter, Graham Shaw and Trevor Smith) and a Scottish Youth International (John Hannagan).

Of these Edwards and Foulkes, of Manchester United, Shaw of Sheffield United, Smith of Birmingham City, Hannagan and Anderson of Sunderland, were in the Army eleven.

But the man of the match was Sheffield United's reserve goalkeeper, Alan Hodgkinson, who saved half a dozen "corner" goals in a daring acrobatic display. Not far behind him was Mike Pinner, who will be "keeping in his fourth International match for Cambridge this year. He fully justified the Olympic honours which have befallen him, but the feature of the game was still the personal duel between Hodgkinson and the chary-shooting Eddie Follan.

## Accent On Pakistan Tour Is Strongly On Youth

London, Dec. 6.

The departure during the week-end of a strong side of young but established players started a new phase in English cricket overseas when the first official England "A" team sailed for Pakistan.

The object of the tour, sponsored by the MCC, is two-fold — to maintain the continuity of English teams touring at regular intervals, and to give promising young cricketers the benefit of overseas experience.

With Pakistan making rapid strides in international cricket, no chances have been taken with the composition of the team, which, apart from the bowling appearing a little off-balance with spin outweighing pace, has been built on solid lines.

The accent is strongly on youth, the average age being 28, with only three men over 30, but eight of the 15 players have appeared in full Test matches. In addition, more steady experience comes with the inclusion of Maurice Templeton, one of the mainstays of Leicestershire, and another consistent County player, wicket-keeper Harold Stephenson, of Somerset.

Led by Donald Carr, an enthusiastic leader and fine batsman, the tourists' outfield should be their strongest department while the batting looks solid right down to No 10 and 11.

## PACE BOWLING

If any doubts exist they must rest on the pace bowling. When first selected, three fast men were chosen—Peter Loader, Alan Moss and Michael Cowan. Since then Loader has dropped out and his teammate, Tony Lock, the left-arm slow bowler, has been brought in, making a formidable spin attack, but throwing a great deal upon Cowan and Moss for pace.

Carr is making sure that his men will give a good account of themselves. He has had a number of them training at a London indoor cricket school and has appointed one of the party, Peter Richardson, Worcestershire's left-handed opening batsman, as unofficial physical training instructor.

Richardson is well equipped for the job, having just completed two years in that capacity in the army.

The high standard of fielding set by the South Africans in England this year has not been overlooked. Regular fielding practices in the "Springbok" style is one of the essentials laid down by Carr. Neither has Carr missed the fact that a number of matches will be played on matting. He is having a strip of matting laid on the deck of the ship to enable his players to get plenty of practice.

Of his chances, Carr says: "I don't underestimate the Pakistanis, but I think we are strong enough to beat them."

Four "unofficial" Test matches are among the 15 matches to be played on the tour, which ends in early March.

The 15 players are: D. B. Carr (Derbyshire) captain, W. H. H. Sulcliffe (Yorkshire), W. G. Grace (Yorkshire), P. K. Richardson (Worcestershire), A. Watkins (Gloucestershire), E. Barrington (Surrey), D. B. Close (Yorkshire), M. Cowan (Yorkshire), G. A. R. Lock (Surrey), A. Moss (Middlesex), J. Parks (Sussex), J. Seaburn (Hampshire), H. K. Stephenson (Somerset), R. Swetnam (Surrey), F. Titman (Middlesex), H. Tompkin (Leicestershire).—China Mail Special.

## Oxford Beat Cambridge At Rugger

Twickenham, Middlesex, Dec. 6.

Oxford, the favourites, beat Cambridge in their 74th Varsity rugby match here today by nine points (a penalty goal and two tries) to five points (a goal) to score their first victory in the series since 1951.

Cambridge, winning the toss and playing with the advantage of a high wind behind them, led 6-3 at half time.

The teams were evenly matched forward, but Oxford were superior at half and in the three-quarter line, both offensively and defensively. Cambridge had the better of the full-backs in Jim Hetherington, a player with a magnificent kick.

An excited crowd of 55,000 saw Cambridge eliminate the opening play but it was not until the 22nd minute that they opened the scoring, through some faulty Oxford defensive play.

Maurice Kershaw, the left-wing three-quarter, gathered a loose ball on the left and running strongly, touched down between the posts for Hetherington easily to convert.

Oxford improved five minutes after halftime when their giant forward, John Curry, landed a fine penalty goal with a 20-yard kick against the wind, taking 10 yards from the touchline.

Oxford went ahead five minutes after the interval, Walker, swerving his way through on the right to score a splendid try. Curry, the flag-bearer, John Rodgers' conversion attempt was just wide.

Oxford completed the scoring in the 64th minute, when Ian Reeler, from Southern Rhodesia, gained an unconverted on the left, following a fine three-quarter movement.—Reuters.

## TABLE TENNIS

## Rumanian Pair Upsets World Champions

Stockholm, Dec. 6. World Champions Ivan Andreiev and Ladislav Stupak of Czechoslovakia were unexpectedly defeated by the young Rumanian pair, Matei Gantner and Tibery Harnagel, in the quarter-finals of the Men's Doubles in the Swedish open table tennis championships here tonight.

The Rumanians won 11-21, 11-21, 11-21. In the Men's Singles fourth round, winners were Zarko Dolinar, Yugoslavia; K. Szepes, Hungary; Tage Friberg, Sweden; Ladislav Stupak, Czechoslovakia.

Qualifiers for the Women's Singles, which start tomorrow, were Zarko Dolinar, Yugoslavia; Rumania; Amy Hovson, England; and Vanda West, Rumania. Austria's 11th, Rumania's 12th, Czechoslovakia's 13th, and Sweden's 14th place players will play quarter-finals tomorrow.

## Battered Dai Dower Recovers To Beat South Africa's Tuli

London, Dec. 6.

Dai Dower, of Wales, the British Champion, retained the British Empire Flyweight boxing title tonight by outpointing Jake Tuli, non-European Champion of South Africa, in a 15-round contest at Harringay Arena here.

Dower took the Empire title from Tuli in October last year when he won on points in the same ring.

Dower's second victory over Tuli was a tribute for boxing skill against rugged aggressive hitting.

After taking a count in the fourth round the 22-year-old Welshman skillfully boxed his way to triumph. But it was a near thing for Dower in the early rounds.

Both his eyes had been cut by the end of the second round. In the fourth he went down to a vicious left followed by a right to the body. Dower looked appealingly to the referee while on his knees but there was no doubt about the blows which caused him to take a count of eight.

## POPULAR WIN

Weathering the storm of a furious impetuous Tuli attack, Dower began to box cleverly. Jabbing his knoxes regularly and using the ring to keep out of trouble Dower took command from the sixth round to coast to a comfortable and popular win.

Dower was always the master while he kept the exchanges at long range, with well-timed lefts, augmented by occasional hard rights to the body. Dower darted in and out and presented an elusive target. Tuli, who likes

to get inside to attack the body, was given few opportunities to land himself for a damaging punch.

There had been little in it up to the fifth round, though Tuli had always found it difficult to corner his man, but Dower boxed splendidly to take nearly all the remaining rounds, without appearing to be troubled.

Tuli, becoming more worried as the fight progressed, lost most of his accuracy, his timing went astray and aided by some also evasive action by Dower, many of his attempts to land with swings went, wildly over Dower's shoulder or missed altogether.

The closing stages followed the same pattern, with Dower continuing to box masterfully. Tuli became far too impetuous and was several times warned to keep his head up as he went to attack.

Though tiring both men put in a spirited finish, and in the last round Tuli was down for a count of two, but it was more a puny than a punch.—Reuters.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Better Than Hendon?

Sir.—Rarely have I seen such a piece of unfair and misleading reporting as I. M. MacTavish's article about the Ferroviario soccer team from Lourenco Marques, Mozambique.

This disturbing report underscores the fact that they, the visitors, "were far removed from the standard of teams like Grasshopper, Admira, Aik or Djurgarden."

I certainly agree with Mr. MacTavish on this point but I am sure that the "famous article" will also agree with me that Ferroviario was a much better side than "Hendon" or "Pegasus."

MacTAVISH, no doubt, is a good soccer critic but I really wonder why HE DID NOT occupy his time to write about movies?

From my personal point of view I really can not understand what was bugging MacTAVISH when he wrote such "remarkable" and "spiteful" nonsense.

If there is a NOBLE PRIZE for journalism really hope that MacTAVISH will receive it.

TAVISHMINE

## Simple Amateurs

Sir.—For those who have seen both football games played in Hongkong last week-end between Hongkong and the Portuguese team from Mozambique, will certainly consider the article written by I. M. MacTAVISH rather unfair. No doubt the critics have the right to express in words what they think, but let's not forget that the public have the right to appreciate it.

To compare the standard of a football team from a club, as he says: "The visitors were nothing more than a very ordinary club side" to those as Grasshopper, Admira, Aik and Djurgarden, it doesn't seem to be written by someone who suppose to have a full knowledge of the matter. The Mozambique players are simple amateurs and those mentioned are almost professionals. Such comparison could only be made by I. M. MacTAVISH.

Besides, those paragraphs with so many references (oh mamma!) does not make clear the ideas, shouldn't they be finished? The results of 2-1 and 1-1 by no means can put far away the standard of the visitors from the Hongkong football. I am sure any honest person will consider both levels rather close.

Coming to the point of "verdict" I would appreciate to know the "verdict" of Mr. MacTavish if we were on a trial of Hongkong's second goal in the first game. A good judgment will say "clear and distinctive off-side". First witness: the linesman who did wave the flag.

The public always likes a good and neutral press attitude towards everything and not one full of sarcasm and unfinished phrases.

I am sure I. M. MacTavish forgot that this time Hongkong is playing host.

HONEST JOE

## Vote Of Confidence

Sir.—Re your Dec. 5 article "The Insuperable Soccer Was Quite Unworthy Of The Great New Stadium" I would like to cast a vote of confidence for I. M. MacTAVISH.

I sincerely believe that he is honest... outspoken... I find... it difficult not to consider him... as a great soccer critic.

JOHNNY GUITAR

(These letters are selected from quite a large number that have been received from readers in Macao on the subject of the MacTAVISH report on the two matches of the Clube Ferroviario de Mozambique in Hongkong.—Sports Ed.)

## Espinosa Is Still Leading Contender For Flyweight Title

New York, Dec. 6. Leo Espinosa (Philippines) remains as leading contender for the World Flyweight title held by Pascual Perez (Argentina), according to the monthly world boxing ratings of "The Ring" magazine.

For Tokyo's Marcano's Heavyweight title Archie Moore (United States), the last beaten challenger, retains first place. Bob Baker (United States) and Nino Valdes (Cuba) who are to fight in Cleveland tomorrow, are second and third respectively.

Yolande Pompey (Trinidad) is third contender for Archie Moore's Light-heavyweight title. Floyd Patterson and Willie Pastrano are second and third.

Young Martin (Spain) is third second and Danny Kid (Philippines) third in the Flyweight Division. Danny Campo (Philippines) is sixth.

Flash Florio (Philippines) drops one place to tenth among the Featherweights. Hiroshi Mitsu (Japan) is replaced by Guy Schatz (France) in the list of Flyweights.



By inviting the cricketers of Army North and South 'A' teams to fill the Spot of Honour at the Top of the Sports Parade this week we acknowledge the continued success of two groups of men who have, by their skill and effort, developed a keen sense of team spirit without ever losing the vital sparks of individuality and initiative which are so necessary in the short matches they have to play in the Colony League.

Both teams are producing attractive cricket and while they are certainly winning they are doing so without even the most nominal infringement of the traditional code of sportsmanship so closely associated with the game.

There is always some risk in selecting individuals who are members of successful teams for special mention, but without a doubt there are several outstanding personalities in both the Army teams at the present time.

South, current League leaders with an enviable 100 per cent record, owe a great deal to the devastating bowling of speed merchant Nash whose 11 for 13 at this week-end was a top class performance no matter how it is viewed. Nash, who was unfortunate to have an identical spell in the immediate pre-Malaya period, is a great hearted player and a great asset to the side.

## OPENING PAIR

The opening pair of Withall and Hedson is always liable to set a sound foundation for a big score, and further down the list there are other prolific run-getters at skipper Peter Chubb's call.

North have a couple of grand bowlers in big Jim Lipscombe and Greenough and the pair of them made short work of Craggower CC at the week-end when between them they captured all 10 wickets. Greenough's 6 for 23 was a very fine effort indeed.

Recent games have shown that there is an abundance of runs in the side and several potential high scorers among the batsmen.

Major Pat Howard Dobson is having a good season both as captain and with the bat, and his confident and judicious handling of the team has contributed much to its continued success.

The position as far as the two teams are concerned is most intriguing. South have a 100 per cent record, while North's only defeat was at the hands of their soldier colleagues early in the season. Speculation is rife as to the outcome of their second meeting in the League and so strong are both sides that it is quite impossible for even the most expert of cricketers to forecast with any accuracy how the game will end.

This is all for the good of cricket, both in the Army and in the League, and is one more justification of the decision to enter two teams in the Senior competition.

Boxing came back into the general news this week with the announcement that the boys from 74 LAA Regt RA will be in action against strong opposition at the Missions to Seamen on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Gunnery are still very much an unknown quantity in the Colony ring, but there is every reason to believe that they are well able to take over where their fighting predecessors left off.

—72 LAA Regt. left off.

## A FINE GOAL

Army soccer players McInnes, Morris and White have the honour of being the first service players to play football at the new Hongkong Stadium. All three were in the Hongkong Selection against the Lourenco Marques side on Sunday and White had the additional pleasure of scoring a fine goal.

McInnes had a particularly good game but Morris and White, who had both played well in the first half, suffered in the general decline that hit the play after the interval.

The following paragraph from Joe Hulme's column in the "People" of November 27 will be of interest to many Army and Colony soccer followers.

"It was dry and night, treatment for Southampton inside, left Derek Reeves to get him ready for the replay with Crystal Palace—and I do mean day and night. But Derek says the effort was worth it. He banged in the goal which helped his side into the next round. Incidentally Derek's old boss, Chelsea, chief Ted Drake, was at Southampton having a look at him."

Derek was of course one of the star members of the brilliant Army team of two years ago and played in the All-Hongkong side on several big occasions.

DISAPPOINTMENT

There is some disappointment in the small number of

entries for the Colony 10 Miles Road Race. This is usually one of the most popular events of the winter season and it is hoped that those who are keen to compete will get their entries in as soon as possible.

Army soccer players and officials are finding plenty of interest—and something to argue about—in the new "Whistler's Wisdom" feature in Rediffusion's "Voice of Sport" programme every Saturday. Topical problems in a local setting are being set to test the listener's knowledge of the laws of the game, and it was a surprise to hear that not a single correct solution was received to last week's penalty kick teaser which was set around Army players Morris and Chesterton.

## CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday next is a big day for soldier athletes for the Colony and Land Forces Cross Country Championships will be run at San Wai starting at 3 o'clock.

The final position as regards entries is as follows—Colony Championships only—three entries (SCAA, Army and Royal Navy).

Colony and Major Unit Championships—10 entries; Colony and Minor Units—three; Major Units Championship only—two; Minor Units Championship only—Six.

In the Colony Individual Championship six runners (one civilian and five Army) who are not members of a team will be competing; two individuals will compete for both the Colony and Land Forces Championships; and 11 will be running in the Land Forces event only. These individuals are, of course, in addition to the members of the various teams who will be reckoned for team and individual events.

This looks like being a great day and with 270 runners in the field it will also be a most impressive sight.

Elaborate arrangements have been made for the control and recording of the proceedings and if you want to go out into the country to see what is happening, suitable trains will leave Kowloon at 11.25 a.m., 12.35 and 2.17 p.m. Trains will leave Fanling after the race at 4.34 and 5.49 p.m.

## TONIGHT'S RUGGER

Army rugby enthusiasts are living in eager anticipation of the big match at the Club Stadium tonight when the all-conquering Gunnery tackle the Rest of the Army.

The match which is due to start at 6.30 p.m. and which will be played under floodlights, has caught the fancy of those who follow the game, and while the spectators who turn up may not be considered a big crowd by soccer standards, it is certain that they will get the chance to make themselves heard, and knowing rugby fans from previous games I am certain they will make the most of the opportunity.

Admission to the game is \$2.40 but service personnel will be admitted for \$1.20 on proof of identity.

The next in the series of Sunday morning athletic meetings at Caroline Hill will take place on Sunday next at 10 a.m. The events at this session will be 100 Metres, 800 Metres, 5,000 Metres and Discus Throw for men and 400 Metres and High Jump for ladies.

As is usual in these meetings there will be no entry fee and no prizes. It is expected that several soldiers will take part.

The two hockey matches played at Macao on Sunday were, according to an eye witness, first rate affairs. Army 'B' had enough chances to win and were a shade unlucky to go down by the only goal scored.

The 'A' team played quite well but in the end they were outclassed and the score of 5-1 in favour of the home side did not flatter the winners.

The trip, and the games, were enjoyed by all who made the journey and the new traditional hospitality of our neighbours was again very much in evidence.

## MY BOXING SECRETS

CONTINUING THE STORY NEVER TOLD BEFORE

## THE NIGHT JOCK McAVOY ASKED US: WHO IS THIS NEW MAN MILLS?

By JOHNNY BEST

They still talk about that little theatre in the West End of London—the one that never closed. Well, Liverpool Stadium never closed either, although many a time I despaired of ever keeping the fight game alive during the war.

We carried one fight though in the open air at Anfield, the Liverpool FC ground, while all hell was being let loose over Liverpool. And we survived a direct hit on the stadium itself.

Let me tell you about that Anfield fight. Eric Boon, the Chatteris blacksmith, was Lightweight Champion and Ernie Roderick was king of the West at the time—this was 1940—and I had the idea of a battle of Champions. The match was agreed.

Roderick well won a hard, punishing fight—you will recall what a puncher Boon was at his best—but the actual contest in the ring was not the only item on the programme.

## ENEMY ABOVE

The fight had hardly started when the "alert" siren went, and immediately the guns started to lay their puffs of black smoke around the tiny specks in the sky that were enemy aircraft.

There were one or two anxious looks overhead from among the 3,000-odd spectators, but all that stopped when a loud Liverpool voice sounded out, even above the constant barking of the guns: "Ach, ignore them!"

Jack Solomons, who was handling Boon in those days, was handling the fight, both questioned should we stop it. I said: "Yes, if we get a direct hit!" The fight went on.

So far as I know, the only one of the 5,000 who left the ground was a middle-aged lady, and she probably had a train to catch.

Johnny Best smiles reminiscently and delves deeper into his war-time memories. It's bad enough trying to find fighters and make matches nowadays, when I have my sons around me to help, but you must remember that in those days of the war all three of them were away and I had to do most of the organising myself.

## DIRECT HIT

Transport was very difficult, and most days I had to walk the five miles to the stadium office, and then when I got there that the overnight blitz had put not only my telephones but all the telephones in the area out of order.

When there was no telephone available, I'd raise a transport and travel around the Army and RAF camps in the area seeking out boys who would make up my Thursday night bills, for no matter what happened, these Thursday night shows had to go on!

I arrived one morning and for a moment I felt that at last the break had come—the break in a continuity of which we were so proud. In the overnight raid the stadium had been hit direct.

Luckily, the bomb passed between two givers and landed in the deep earth of the old graveyard before it exploded. Otherwise it would have blown the whole place to smithereens.

As it was, it tore up about 20 tons of earth out of a 10ft.



JOHNNY BEST

crater, shattered every piece of glass in the roof and doors, and, probably as some kind of judgment, blew the Press seats up on to the top of the girders.

My manager Benny Carter, and I got as many of the boxing boys as we could find, and with shovels and wheelbarrows—you couldn't get hired labour any more or money—we worked all night and through the next day.

We replaced the glass with sheets of tin that lasted us all through the war—and the Thursday night show went on as usual. No, we never closed.

This is said so much on a note of self-congratulation but rather in tribute to the loyalty of the boxing fans he believes sincerely to be the best in the world. He goes on:

How these people came along to the stadium in these conditions was about as fantastic as my job in arranging fights for them. How they found their way up here, always in black-out and sometimes in almost-impossible snow, will never cease to astonish me. Sometimes only a handful of them would make it—but there was always a handful at least.

## WE TOOK £17

One night we took £17! But that didn't kill our determination to keep the game going in Liverpool.

Strangely enough, out of all this chaos and queuing and wheelbarrowing and chasing came—fighters.

Nel Tarleton was in the RAF, but his brother, George, had a boy called Basil. McInnes, I'd matched McInnes for one of my Thursday night shows, but just before the off it was apparent that, because of all the travel difficulties, his opponent wasn't going to make it.

We always had spare boys hanging around the stadium and I pointed out three of them to McInnes and told him: "Pick one of these lads. They're all willing to have a go."

McInnes looked them over and then indicated one, a sailor in uniform. "He'll do," he said, and I told the sailor to get dressed. He climbed into the ring and about Basil from the first bell, and never stopped

throwing punches until he knocked Basil's spirit out in the third round.

Name of Al Phillips. Nobody outside a yard or two from Algate Pump had ever heard of him. He got a pound or two for that job. Yet he was to go on to fight Ronnie Clayton, under my banner for the Featherweight title and the biggest purse that has ever been put up for feathers anywhere—£2,000.

Boxing's a funny game, even in a blitz.

But on that three-time (British Empire and European) fight between Phillips and Clayton at Anfield in 1947 in the midst of a perfect weather spell, but a couple of hours before the start the heavens opened. We dropped £2,500.

For the record, Clayton survived a terrific punch to the chin early on and won on points.

There was another one who came, literally, out of the blue—a corporal in the RAF I'd heard tell of.

Jock McAvoy was Middleweight Champion at the time, but he had had a long lay-off, and it seemed to me that this corporal, who's got himself a bit of a local reputation, might give him a good fight.

## NEVER WORRIED

Jock McAvoy never was one to worry very much about who and what his opponents were, and he ran true to form in this case. Outside the stadium before the fight he asked casually of one of the boys: "Do you know anything about this geezer I'm going to meet? What sort of a fighter is he?"

"Oh, he's a good, willing boy, and very strong," he was told.

"In that case," said McAvoy, who never had any illusions about anything, "he'll probably win. I'm not feeling so good tonight."

It was as Jock said. The unknown corporal took everything McAvoy could hand out in the early rounds—and that was always plenty—and came boring, crowding in for more. He never stopped throwing punches, and one of Jock's great faults could keep him away. The corporal rightly got the decision on points.

Name of Freddie Mills. But it will show you the way things were in those dark war-time years when I tell you that he got £50 for that fight. A little later—of course he was an immediate favourite with our loyal little band of fans and had to be brought back—he fought Jack Hyams on a percentage of the gate, that amounted to £20 plus a few shillings!

But, as a star attraction, Freddie Mills was made.

There were other troubles as well. On the afternoon of Nel Tarleton's feather title bout with Johnny Cusick I got a telephone call from Eugene Henderson, of Edinburgh, who was to referee the fight. His train was snowbound, some- where around the Forth, and he couldn't possibly make it.

Up to almost the moment they should have gone into the ring, I tried in vain to get a substitute referee—and then my eye fell on Barrington Dalby at the ringside, all set to broadcast. That's the quickest switch of jobs Barry—and the BBC—is ever likely to make.

I was in no mood to have a good referee wasting his time talking.

Next Article: The fabulous Freddie Miller. (COPYRIGHT)

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# FOR WHOM SHOULD THE BELL TOLL? Italian Mayor Versus Priest

Rome, Dec. 6.  
Italy's Supreme Court is to settle a long-  
standing quarrel between a Catholic parish  
priest and the Communist mayor of  
Correggio, who want to know once and for  
all for whom their big bell rings.  
Correggio is in the Communist belt of  
north central Italy not far from the scene  
of the feud between the imaginary  
characters, "Don Camillo," the fighting  
parish priest, and "Peppone," the Com-  
munist mayor, made famous by the book of  
Giovanni Guareschi and the films starring  
the French comedian, Fernandel.

Don Bruno Corradi, the  
fighting parish priest of  
the Communist-dominated Cor-  
reggio, has already lost his  
case twice against the Mayor,  
Signor Rodolfo Zanichelli.  
The Tribunal of Reggio  
Emilia and the Appeal Court of  
Bologna have already ruled  
that both the Church and the  
municipal authorities are en-  
titled to use the big bell for  
their respective purposes, and  
that neither party may prevent  
the other from ringing it when-  
ever it sees fit.

## Church Blessing

The two and a half ton  
bronze bell has hung for the  
past 250 years in the municipal  
tower next to the Church of  
Saint Quirinus. It is municipal  
property, but it was blessed by  
the Church.

An inscription on the bell  
says that its duty is to "laud  
the true God, call the faithful  
to meditation, mourn the dead,  
and ward off storms."  
True to its task, it used to  
toll for the funerals of town  
councillors, among others. Then,  
in 1919, a Jewish alderman  
died. The mayor announced  
that the bell would toll for  
his funeral.

The then parish priest, Don  
Casolari, declared that that  
was out of the question.  
He threatened that if the  
mayor had it tolled in spite of  
his vows, he would keep the  
bell silent for Easter and  
Christmas.  
The bell did toll for the Jew  
and the people of Correggio  
waited in vain for its tradi-  
tional peals at Easter and  
Christmas.  
Peace was made between  
the priest and the mayor by a  
senior, and the bell was  
solemnly blessed again.  
In 1948, the then extreme  
left wing Socialist mayor of

Correggio, who had been ex-  
communicated by reason of his  
political activities, died. A  
fresh outbreak of the feud was  
narrowly averted when the  
municipal authorities abstained  
from tolling the bell because it  
was Good Friday.

## Flared Up

But two years later, the  
quarrel flared up on the death  
of a young (extreme left wing)  
socialist Alderman. The priest  
insisted for police intervention,  
and the mayor went to court.

Despite two judgments against  
his arguments, Don Bruno did  
not give in. He appealed to the  
Court of Cassation, Italy's high-  
est tribunal.

In a last attempt to come to  
an amicable settlement, a group  
of citizens tried, in October, to  
arrange a meeting between the  
priest and the mayor.  
They thought that a Sunday  
match between Correggio's two  
football teams would be a suit-  
able occasion.  
The mayor attended. So did  
the Carabinieri (paramilitary  
police) sergeant-major supposed  
to act as peace-maker. But Don  
Bruno stayed away.—China  
Mail Special.



# Templer To Discuss Bagdad Agreement

London, Dec. 6.  
GENERAL Sir Gerald  
Templer, Chief of the  
Imperial General Staff, is to  
discuss relations be-  
tween Jordan and the  
Bagdad pact countries, an  
authoritative source in-  
dicated tonight.

General Templer left Britain on  
a visit to Amman, the Jordan  
capital, last night. Officially,  
he is to discuss Jordan de-  
fence problems and the  
British financed Arab Legion,  
maintained by Jordan under  
the command of a British  
officer, Glubb Pasha.  
The Bagdad pact countries are  
Britain, Turkey, Iraq, Iran  
and Pakistan.  
Diplomatic observers attach  
much importance to the fact  
that General Templer is ac-  
companied by a senior Foreign

## Clipped By Mine Host

Sharp work with a pair of  
shears from licensee Alfred  
Moreland of the Mite public  
house at Sudbury, England,  
as he prepares to snip a piece  
off customer Richard Holton's  
bowls club tie. Mr Moreland  
collects clippings of customers'  
ties, now has about 350 reg-  
imental, club and sporting ties  
in his collection. He also pos-  
sesses snippets of such rare  
breeds of cravat as those  
belonging to the Ancient  
Order of Venetian Noblemen  
and the Drinking Club of New  
Zealand.—Express Photo.

## Over 160 OBEs For Investiture

London, Dec. 6.  
Queen Elizabeth decorated  
more than 160 men and women  
with insignia of the Order of  
the British Empire today at the  
last of the autumn investitures  
at Buckingham Palace.  
More than 20 officers and ser-  
vicemen were decorated for  
bravery in Malaya, Korea and  
Kenya.  
Over 200 awards were given  
out, mostly to people gazetted  
at the Queen's birthday in June.  
—Reuter.

## ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE

# Why Britain Continues To Press Compromise Solution

London, Dec. 6.  
British hopes for a settlement of the  
seemingly insoluble dispute between Israel  
and the Arab states are based on the  
belief that no political standpoints are  
unchangeable, according to diplomatic  
quarters here.

It is this belief which explains  
Britain's determination to press the  
proposals put forward in November by the  
British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden,  
for a compromise territorial settlement  
between the two sides, despite their  
prompt rejection by the government of  
Israel.

On the face of it, the pros-  
pect of a settlement emerging  
from Sir Anthony Eden's pro-  
posal appears very thin. Sir  
Anthony repeated the earlier  
British and United States offer  
to guarantee a permanent peace  
settlement in the Middle East if  
one were negotiated between  
the two sides.

## Some Concessions

He then proposed that  
frontiers for a final peace settle-  
ment should lie between those  
occupied by Israel at the time  
of the 1949 armistices and still  
held by it, and the boundaries  
of the much smaller state of  
Israel proposed in the 1947  
United Nations resolution.

This proposal clearly en-  
visages some territorial conces-  
sions by Israel, though British  
spokesmen have emphasized  
that Britain has no specific  
frontier line in mind. But al-  
though the Eden proposal would  
certainly mean that Israel would  
lose territory, British spokes-  
men continue to maintain that  
it would represent a compro-  
mise.

The Arab states, in the British  
view, would be entitled to  
claim territory up to the  
frontiers laid down in the  
United Nations resolution.  
Consequently any settlement  
which gives Israel the per-  
manent right to hold more terri-

tory can be regarded as a com-  
promise.

Realistic assessments of the  
prospects of this proposal  
made in diplomatic quarters  
never admit frankly that  
chances of acceptance are slight  
for two reasons.

In the first place, repeated  
Israeli official statements have  
made it clear that Israel is not  
willing to make any substantial  
territorial concession to the  
Arab states. The most that the  
government of Israel is pre-  
pared to contemplate is frontier  
rectification—which would iron  
out the anomalies created by  
the present armistice line. This  
runs through the centre of many  
villages and farms.

## More Favourable

The Arab reaction has been  
much more favourable. But  
Israel's rejection has ruled out  
any immediate possibility of  
peace being concluded on the  
basis of the Eden proposal.  
There has been a fundamental  
soundings of whether the  
present rulers of the Arab states  
concerned would be willing to  
recognise the existence of the  
state of Israel by conclusion of  
a peace settlement should a  
territorial compromise become  
possible.

Yet, in spite of the question-  
mark over the fundamental in-  
terests of the Arab states and  
the blunt rejection of the Eden  
plan by the Israeli government,  
present British policy regarding  
the Arab-Israeli dispute remains  
based upon it.

Diplomatic quarters here  
maintain that this is not due to  
any failure of Ministers here to  
appreciate the impact of the  
proposal in the Middle East. Nor  
they declare, is it based on any  
facile assumption that the  
standpoints of the two sides  
will change in the near future.  
The reason why the Eden pro-  
posal for territorial compro-  
mise on Israel's terms is not  
regarded here as dead is the ex-  
perience of British Ministers in  
handling equally intractable  
territorial problems in other  
regions.

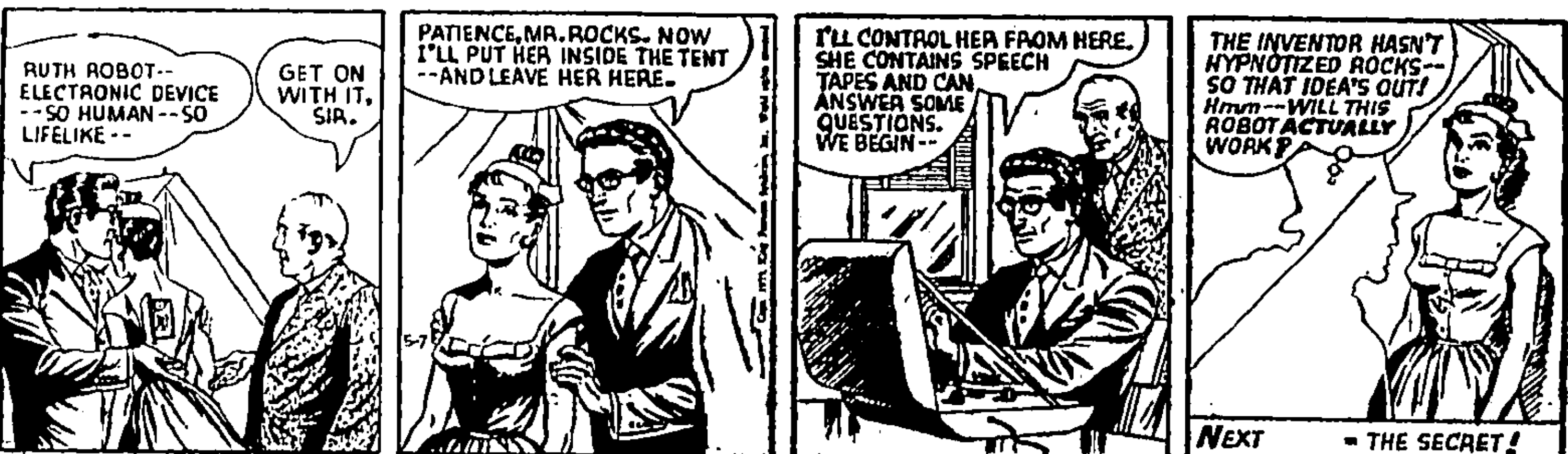
## Tireless Patience

In this connection, the Italian-  
Yugoslav agreement on Trieste  
is being informally referred to  
here.

The British assumption is  
that tireless patience and res-  
traint can produce results in the  
most unpromising fields. The  
alternative, which is to despair  
of a Middle East settlement and  
to accept the prospect of endless  
limited hostilities, will certainly  
be rejected here for a long  
time to come.—China Mail  
Special.

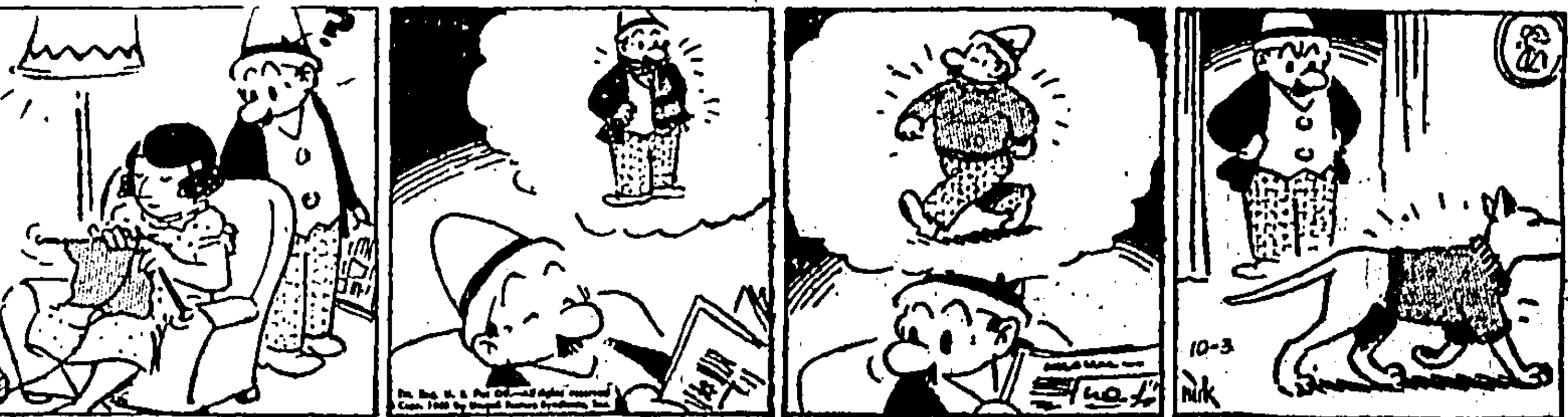
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By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



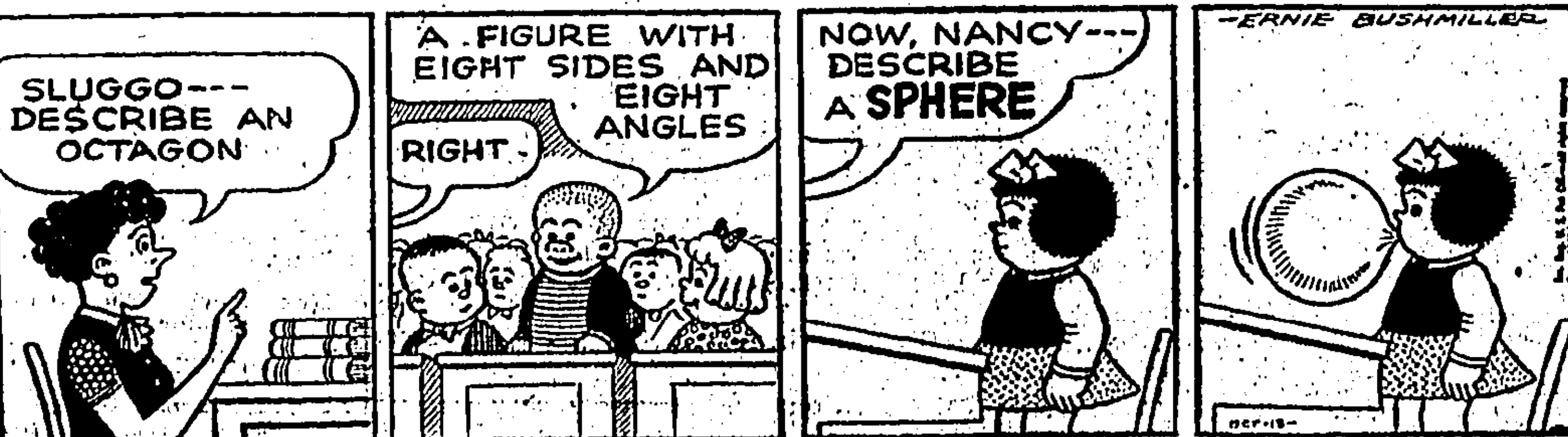
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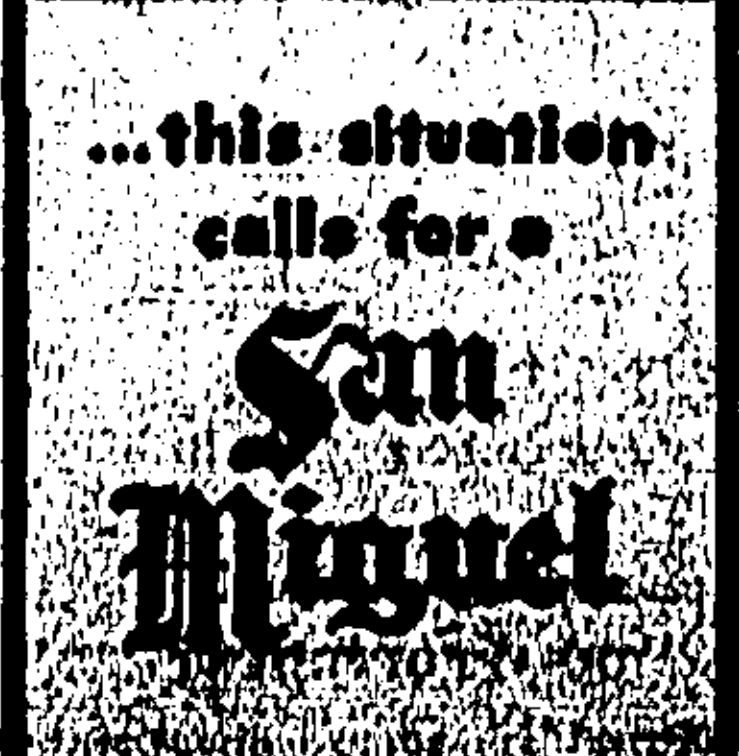
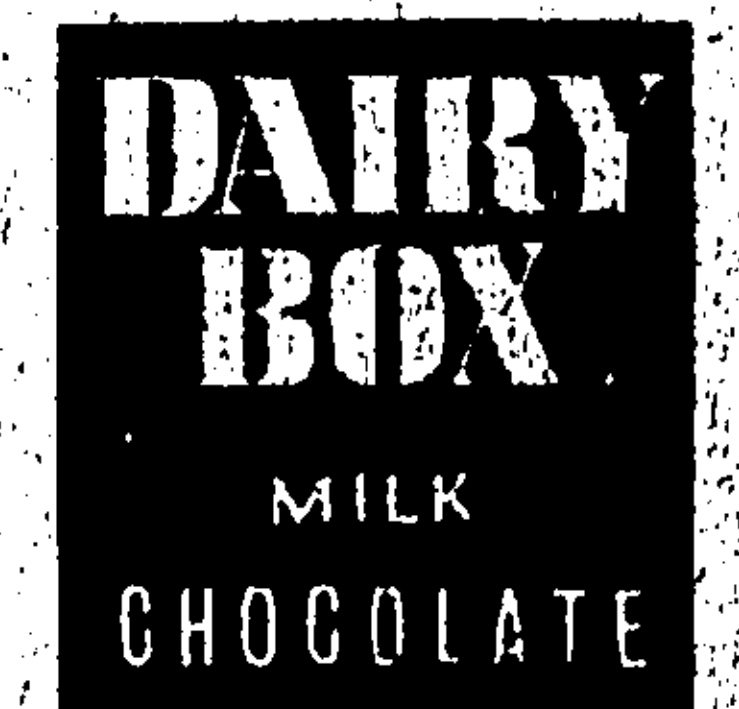
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## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



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ing parcel mails can be ascer-  
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7  
By Air  
Formosa, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, Pakistan, Middle East,  
Africa & Europe, 8 p.m.  
By Surface  
Italy, France, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 8 p.m.  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8  
By Air  
Japan, 8 a.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., Canada, 6 a.m.  
Thailand, Pakistan, Middle East,  
Africa & Europe, 8 a.m.  
By Surface  
Italy, France, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 8 p.m.  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9  
By Air  
Japan, 8 a.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., Canada, 6 a.m.  
Thailand, Pakistan, Middle East,  
Africa & Europe, 8 a.m.  
By Surface  
Italy, France, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 8 p.m.  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10  
By Air  
Japan, 8 a.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., Canada, 6 a.m.  
Thailand, Pakistan, Middle East,  
Africa & Europe, 8 a.m.  
By Surface  
Italy, France, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 8 p.m.







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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1955.

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## Woman To Be Tried For Acid Throwing

Chan Wai-chi, 43, housewife of 414 Hennessy Road, third floor, was committed to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions in January next year, by Mr W. F. Pickering at Central today.

The defendant is charged with having thrown corrosive acid on Wong Kwong-chung, with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm. The alleged incident took place on August 17.

A statement was read in court today, in which defendant said she came to know Wong during the Japanese occupation, at which time he was in prison with her. She also said her husband was executed at the same time.

She said that when they were liberated, they lived together, and she helped Wong find employment. "After my daughter was born, he never troubled to bring home any money, and went feeding around with other women. We had many quarrels over this, but he never took any notice."

On August 17, she said, Wong's friends asked him to accompany them to Shek O, but when she intercepted their car and followed, he got angry, because he could not go, and returned to St John's Ambulance headquarters. She followed.

When they got there, he went inside and locked the door on her. She said she sat there, and thought about the past. She then got angry, went back to her flat, got the acid, and returned to St John's headquarters.

When she got there, the door was still locked, she got in through a rear window. She said she then poured the acid into a tumbler, and went in to see Wong. She added, "I then threw the acid in his face."

## Death Of Mrs Helena Kew

Mrs Helena Kew of St Joseph's Building, Robinson Road, died in her sleep at about 3 a.m. today, aged 54.

She was the widow of the late Mr. C. H. W. Kew of Australia who was a partner of the firm of Rudolf, Wolff, and Kew Ltd., metal merchants, of Hongkong.

She is survived by a son, Mr Henry Kew, and four daughters, Mrs Horowitz of Sao Paulo, Brazil, Mrs. Irenson of Canada, Mrs. Helen Kew and Miss Muriel Kew in Hongkong, and a number of step children.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 4.45 p.m. tomorrow.

## Mr Marshall Discusses S'pore

(Continued from Page 1)

Mr Nehru told the Singapore press relations officer and a correspondent accompanying him the Chief Minister of Singapore, Mr David Marshall, that the colonial pattern of government, both in the political and economic aspects, was completely out of date today, and "does not solve any problem apart from denying freedom to the people."

Mr Nehru said a country could not progress without full co-operation of the people. "That co-operation cannot be obtained except in terms of freedom and responsibility," he added.

He therefore wished all success to the people of Singapore and the Federation of Malaya in their march towards freedom. —Reuter.

## FINED \$400

A 36-year-old American Chinese, Wong Ging-loy, who overstayed his time in the Colony and also failed to report his change of address to the Immigration Office, was fined \$400 by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central today.

Defendant, who arrived in the Colony on March 23 should have left Hongkong on September 23. He was ordered to be expelled.

## DISCHARGED

James Martin, 31, residing at 941 Easton House, was discharged of common assault by Mr H.H.B. How at Central this morning when the Prosecution offered no evidence against him. He was alleged to have assaulted E. H. Tavares and Chung Chui-shan on July 21 at Easton House.

## 28 Hongkong Residents Receive Decorations And Awards

### GOVERNMENT HOUSE CEREMONY

#### Queen's Birthday Honours Presented By H.E.

The great Ball Room at Government House was the scene of a colourful ceremony this morning when 28 Hongkong residents including members of the Services received the insignia of decorations and awards conferred upon them by H.M. the Queen in the Birthday Honours.

The presentations were made by H.E. the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, GCMG, who was in full ceremonial uniform. The awards included the CMG, OBE, MBE, the Military Cross and Certificates of Honour for valuable services.

Citations accompanying the awards were read by the Hon. the Chief Justice, Mr M. J. P. Hogan.

Large pots of chrysanthemum and palm lined the platform at which recipients received their awards. The awards, which were placed on velvet cushions at a table behind the Governor. The names of the recipients were called by the A.D.C. Mr R. White.

The colourful uniform of members of the Services contrasted with the normal dress of civilian guests. Medals and other decorations worn by the guests and recipients glittered brilliantly in the sunlight. The colourful scene was made more picturesque by the smart and fashionable dresses worn by ladies at the function.

Members of the Northern Army Group, Lt-Col Graeme was immediately responsible for the successful organisation of major exercises on an inter-service and inter-allied basis, and by his outstanding ability and enthusiasm set a very high standard of staff work.

Major E. G. Stewart, DSO, ED—OBE (Military): Major Stewart, now commanding the Home Guard, has served for over 40 years continuously as a volunteer, including active service in two wars. His fine record of leadership and devotion to duty has been an example to all of unselfish public service.

Miss Ho Chung-chung—MBE (Civil): Miss Ho has devoted herself to her work as a teacher, and her energy and enthusiasm in promoting education for girls is unbounded. As Principal of the True Light Middle School, her personal example has been an inspiration to her staff and pupils.

Mr Li Wing-sum—MBE (Civil): Mr Li served in a clerical capacity in the Colonial Secretariat for nearly 34 years, the last 20 of which were spent as Clerk-in-Charge of Buildings & Lands Registry. In this responsible post he showed himself outstanding in zeal and diligence and in unremitting devotion to duty.

Mr E. A. Ribeiro—MBE (Civil): Mr Ribeiro has a record of thirty-six years of exemplary service in the Police Office, during which whenever called upon he has most ably discharged duties carrying with them a considerable burden of responsibility.

Miss V. D. A. Silcock—MBE (Civil): Miss Silcock has devoted herself to the education of girls at the King Wa Girls' School, of which she has been Headmistress since 1947. She has played a very active and valuable part in the Hongkong Teachers' Association and her high ideals have been an example to all with whom she has come in contact.

Mr C. Strange—MBE (Civil): Mr Strange has given outstanding service in the Sanitary Services of the Colony, where his wide experience and technical ability, his energy and entire disregard of self have been invaluable to the successful re-organisation of these services which have been carried out since 1940.

Miss J. Tomblin—MBE (Civil): Miss Tomblin has rendered notable service throughout her career in the British Council. This began in 1940, since when she has held a variety of responsible posts in that organisation, having served in Iran, Nigeria, Nyasaland and Hongkong.

Mr Chan Fuk-him—MBE (Honorary): Mr Chan served in the Estate Duty Office from 1925 until his retirement this year. He gave consistently excellent service throughout his career, readily accepting the burden of work and responsibility which his long experience and efficiency imposed on him.

Mr Li King-pan—MBE (Honorary): Mr Li has completed 34 years of loyal, diligent and cheerful work in the clerical service of Government. He was for 15 years in charge of the General Registry of the Colonial Secretariat, where he

was responsible for training many clerks to a high standard. Lt-Comdr. L. D. Kilbee, IRRNVI—MBE (Military): An outstanding seaman, Lieutenant-Comdr Kilbee has given long and faithful service to the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve. He joined the Naval volunteers as a cadet in 1934 and served with distinction during the last war. By his example he has set a high standard for junior members of the force.

Major K. M. M. Ross—MBE (Military): Major Ross rendered exceptionally devoted and efficient service as Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General of the Scottish Brigade (Territorial Army).

Mr G. G. C. Hensby—MBE (Military): Lieutenant Hensby displayed outstanding devotion to duty and efficiency as Bandmaster of the 7th Queen's Own Hussars.

W.O.1 A. King, RA—MBE (Military): Posted in 1952 as Regimental Sergeant-Major to the 74th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery, W.O. King's responsibilities were particularly heavy during the difficult period while the unit was being built up, and in discharging them with such consistently high standards and devotion to duty he rendered a service to his regiment which is beyond praise.

Mr Fung Hon-chu—Certificate of Honour: Mr Fung did excellent work during the three successive terms he served on the Board of Directors of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals.

Mr Wong Ping-ying—Certificate of Honour: Under Mr Wong's Chairmanship the New Territories Association, the Heung Yi Kuk, has taken an active part in rural affairs. Mr Wong himself is unsparring of his time and energy in any matter of concern to the New Territories and has readily come forward in answer to any call of public duty.

Mr G. G. C. Ratnabhadur, L.M.B.—MBE: During the course of an operation in Malaya in 1954 Lt. Ratnabhadur, taking over command of his company from his wounded superior officer, carried out two remarkable successful actions against the enemy, displaying a very high standard of leadership and complete disregard of danger.

Sgt. Ratnabhadur—MBE: During the course of operations in Malaya in 1954 Sgt. Ratnabhadur, in command of his platoon, displayed leadership of the highest order and complete disregard of personal safety in the successful reconnoitring and attacking of two terrorist camps.

## CITATIONS

The following is the list of citations at today's ceremony:

Hon. T. L. Bowring, OBE—CMG: Mr Bowring has at all times given exceptional service as Director of Public Works in Hongkong. The carrying out of the important Tai Lam Chung reservoir scheme is largely due to his imaginative yet practical approach to the problems connected with its construction.

Mr J. Jolly, OBE, RD—CMG: Mr Jolly has given outstanding service as Director of Marine in Hongkong. His department's efficient and smooth-running control of harbour and port facilities has contributed in no small measure to the well being of the Colony.

Hon. Ngan Shing-kwan—OBE (Civil): Mr Ngan has a long record of public service on numerous committees and boards in the Colony and has been a member of Legislative Council since 1951. He has given notable service to the community and has at all times shown himself to be a most public spirited citizen.

Hon. C. E. M. Terry—OBE (Civil): Mr Terry has had a long association with the Colony and has consistently interested himself in public affairs, expending a great deal of time and energy in various fields of activity. In particular the Civil Aid Services, under his leadership, is Commissioner since 1951, he has steadily developed in efficiency and keenness.

Mr Wong Pak-kan—OBE (Civil): Mr Wong has been Chairman of the Shamshui Po Kai-fong Welfare Advancement Association since 1949, when it was the first Kai-fong to be established in the Colony. In addition to his public service, he has rendered valuable public service in assisting victims of numerous squatter-fires in his area, and Mr Wong personally has not spared himself in rising to each emergency, setting a high example to all.

Mr A. H. G. Dobson, MC, RE—OBE (Military): As Assistant Adjutant General, M.P.I., Lt-Col Dobson discharged particularly heavy responsibility, displaying exceptional foresight, planning ability and executive efficiency, and a devotion to duty which inspired all those working under his command.

Mr E. G. Graeme, RA—OBE (Military): As GSOI to the Exercise Planning Staff,

Chung Chi-hang from the staircase of 486 King's Road on December 5.

The Prosecution said that on December 5 police in plain clothes walking in front of 186 Java Road saw defendant acting suspiciously. They approached him and found a letter in his left hand. It had been opened and it was addressed to Miss Young So-lap.

A piece of paper which fitted the torn part of the opening edge of the same letter was found on the ground. Searching the defendant police found three other letters in the right side-pocket of the defendant's trousers. Defendant later produced 12 more letters to the Police.

He admitted the theft of all 16 letters.

When the defendant was asked by the Magistrate why he stole the letters, he said he wanted to make some money out of it.

Defendant had one previous conviction of simple larceny.

## Radio Hongkong

6.00 Time Signal and Programme Summary. 6.15 Lucky Dip Variety Requests presented by Margherita (Studio). 6.30 Weather Report. 7.00 Time Signal and The News (London Relay). 7.10 Commentary (London Relay). 7.20 Special Announcements. 7.30 Going to the Pictures. 7.40 BBC Jazz Club. The Alex Welsh Duetlanders (BBCS). 8.00 Late News Choice presented by Tom Newman (Studio). 8.30 Your Radio Concert. Hall Robert Casadesu (piano). With Donald Gardner Orchestra. 9.00 Time Signal. 9.15 Western Theatre. "No Picnic on Mount Kenya" From the Book by Felice Bonazzi. Adapted for Radio and produced by Arthur Swinson (BBCS). 10.00 (approx). Faraway Places. 10.15 Music of the Twentieth Century. "Sound and Music". A Series of Talks on the Scientific Background to Music by H.W. Frank No. 8. "Sound Controversies" (BBCS). 10.45 Bedside Book. (Unicel). 11.00 By Sheridan and John Bond. Cynthis Nixon. Episode 23 (Recorded). 10.59. Weather Report. 11.00 Time Signal. 11.15 Radio News (Recorded London Relay). 11.00. Goodnight Music. God Save The Queen. 11.30. Close Down.

## REDIFFUSION

3 p.m. Wednesday Concert. "Invitation To The Dance" Von Weber. "Capriccio Espagnol" — Rimsky-Korsakov. "Symphony Espagnole" Op. 21 — Lalo. Played by Orchestra. Conducted by Jean Furmen. 3.45. Black House — by Charles Dickens. A Tea For Two. Popular Tunes. 4.30. Ten Time Music Presented by Branda Demetrius. 4.45. Domes On Dumbells. 5.00. Children's Corner. Conducted by Auntie Val. 5.30. Wednesday Requests Presented by Betty. 5.45. "Sound and Music". Music From Germany — Conducted by Wolfgang Behrendt. 6.30. Musical Quiz with Fritz for Lucky Winner. 6.45. Shadows of Doubt — Presented by Charles Dickens. A Tea For Two. Popular Tunes. 7.10. Time Signal and The News (London Relay). 7.00. Weather Report. 7.15. Time Signal. 7.30. Special Announcements. 7.40. Going to the Pictures. 7.50. BBC Jazz Club. The Alex Welsh Duetlanders (BBCS). 8.00. Late News Choice presented by Tom Newman (Studio). 8.30. Your Radio Concert. Hall Robert Casadesu (piano). With Donald Gardner Orchestra. 9.00. Time Signal. 9.15. Western Theatre. "No Picnic on Mount Kenya" From the Book by Felice Bonazzi. Adapted for Radio and produced by Arthur Swinson (BBCS). 10.00 (approx). Faraway Places. 10.15. Music of the Twentieth Century. "Sound and Music". A Series of Talks on the Scientific Background to Music by H.W. Frank No. 8. "Sound Controversies" (BBCS). 10.45. Bedside Book. (Unicel). 11.00. By Sheridan and John Bond. Cynthis Nixon. Episode 23 (Recorded). 10.59. Weather Report. 11.00. Time Signal. 11.15. Radio News (Recorded London Relay). 11.00. Goodnight Music. God Save The Queen. 11.30. Close Down.

## TO RETURN TO INDIA

V. M. Sequeira, 17, who was arrested for vagrancy, was informed at Central Court this morning that the Indian Commissioner's office had arranged a passage for him back to Calcutta on December 19 aboard the Sirdhana.

The youth, who was arrested on July 29 at the Kowloon Godown Wharf, was remanded for another seven days in the House of Detention by Mr Hin-shing Lo to wait for the departure of the ship.

## NINE MONTHS' HARD LABOUR FOR STEALING LETTERS

Ng Kwong, 37, unemployed, residing at the roof top of No. 99 Hennessy Road, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr J. E. Durling at Central this morning for three counts of stealing letters.

Defendant was charged with stealing a letter from Yeung So-lap from the staircase of 136 Java Road, a letter from Tung Chai-hum from the staircase of 10, Tunglwan Road, and a letter from

## Student Charged With Bigamy

Hearing of the case against John Him-mon, 23-year-old student, facing trial on a charge of bigamy continued before Judge A. D. Scholes at the Victoria District Court this morning when Yan Tak-kee, who claimed to be the best man at the alleged wedding ceremony, gave evidence.

The charge alleged that the accused, on July 10, 1955, married Li Sun-choo during the life of his wife Chiu Yuet-ching.

The accused is represented by Mr Francis H. B. Wong, of Messrs C. Y. Kwan and Co, Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, prosecuted.

Yan Tak-kee, of 318, Lal-chikok Road, first floor, said he was a native of Po Wo Li Village, Tai Shan, district and was a clansman of the accused.

He said the accused and the first witness, Chiu Yuet-ching, were married a little over seven years ago in the country in a wedding ceremony.

Describing the alleged ceremony, witness said he acted as one of five or six best men. He said he arrived at the accused's home at about 7 a.m. that day when the accused went through the ceremony of coming of age in the parlour.

Later in the day, the bride arrived in a green sedan chair, draped with red ribbons. Accompanied by the witness, he knelt at the door of the chair and the bride entered the accused's home as firecrackers were let off. Both the bride and the bridegroom then worshipped the ancestors, following which the crowd teased the bride.

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Witness said he came here in 1949 and met the accused in Shek Kip Mei.

Cross-examined, witness said he was nervous as he had never come to the Court before. He denied he was nervous because he was telling lies in the Court.

Mr Wong: If you are telling lies in this Court you may be imprisoned for several years. Well, if that is so, let it be. I am asking the truth according to the facts.

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Hearing discontinued.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You must be the lucky type of man, Dad—you certainly didn't become a success by working maths problems!"

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Hearing of the case against John Him-mon, 23-year-old student, facing trial on a charge of bigamy continued before Judge A. D. Scholes at the Victoria District Court this morning when Yan Tak-kee, who claimed to be the best man at the alleged wedding ceremony, gave evidence.

The charge alleged that the accused, on July 10, 1955, married Li Sun-choo during the life of his wife Chiu Yuet-ching.

The accused is represented by Mr Francis H. B. Wong, of Messrs C. Y. Kwan and Co, Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, prosecuted.

Yan Tak-kee, of 318, Lal-chikok Road, first floor, said he was a native of Po Wo Li Village, Tai Shan, district and was a clansman of the accused.

He said the accused and the first witness, Chiu Yuet-ching, were married a little over seven years ago in the country in a wedding ceremony.

Describing the alleged ceremony, witness said he acted as one of five or six best men. He said he arrived at the accused's home at about 7 a.m. that day when the accused went through the ceremony of coming of age in the parlour.

Later in the day, the bride arrived in a green sedan chair, draped with red ribbons. Accompanied by the witness, he knelt at the door of the chair and the bride entered the accused's home as firecrackers were let off. Both the bride and the bridegroom then worshipped the ancestors, following which the crowd teased the bride.

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Witness said he came here in 1949 and met the accused in Shek Kip Mei.

Cross-examined, witness said he was nervous as he had never come to the Court before. He denied he was nervous because he was telling lies in the Court.

Mr Wong: If you are telling lies in this Court you may be imprisoned for several years. Well, if that is so, let it be. I am asking the truth according to the facts.

Witness also denied Counsel's suggestion that he was not even a best man.

Hearing discontinued.

## Death Of Mr Harold Hunt

The assistant Manager of the drug manufacturing department of A. S. Watson & Co Ltd, Mr Harold Q. Hunt died suddenly at the Queen Mary Hospital early this morning.

Mr Hunt, who was 51, was taken ill suddenly on Monday. He leaves a widow, Mrs Frances Hunt and two sons, Francis, 14 and Christopher, 6.

Mr Hunt was born in Hongkong, and educated at the Diocesan Boys' School and later at the Hongkong University.

Before the war he worked at the Colonial Dispensary but in 1940 he joined A.S. Watson and Co., Ltd. He served in various capacities before he became assistant Manager of the drug manufacturing department at North Point.

The funeral service will be held at the Hongkong Funeral Parlour at 3 p.m. today.

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## ON THE RECORD

In a recent issue of "Reader's Digest" there was a nice scathing article called "Rackets in the Juke Box". The story was such that one obtained an impression of the Juke Box industry throughout the States being in the hands of gangsters, thugs and other such types.

It was only to be expected that someone would protest and in a recent issue of "The Mailboard" it appeared, it came from W. D. Littleford, the publisher of "The Mailboard", which justifiably calls itself "The Amusement Industry's Leading News-weekly".

The first counter from Mr Littleford disposed of the "Digest" argument that with Juke Boxes could be grouped such machines as exist in America for selling cigarettes, milk, coffee, pastry and so on. There are an increasing number of such machines all over America and the implication was that just as the racketeers were in control of the music machines, so they had cornered the other coin machines.

The second part of Mr Littleford's letter indicates that he realises there is a certain justification in the charges made when they refer to Juke Boxes and that's where the main interest in this exchange occurs.

The very nature of this noisy, flamboyant piece of machinery is such that it has become associated with two distinct sections of the public. First, the gay and fairly harmless "bobby-sox" element who create noise and cream sodas and are the main support for a large number of middle-aged drug store proprietors.

The second section is not so harmless and is composed mainly of two-bit gamblers. In the same general category are the crummy bars and pin-ball parlours. There, of course, there was and still is a pretty good chance of finding a gangster behind the door marked "Bar" and as there is money to be made from the machine, the gangster wanted in, the "Bar".

Consequently it is to be believed that some of the bigger boys obtained control of the distribution of juke boxes and laid down the law within their sphere of control. The usual "enforcement" methods could be expected and if a man decided to have his "bobby-sox" element, he might very well find himself receiving a visit from the representatives of the "Bar".

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